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MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tar River Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT WILSON,

WILSON COUNTY, N. C.,

October 8th, 9th and 10th, 1885.

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PROCEEDINGS.

WILSON, October 8th, 1885.

The fifty-fifth annual session of the Tar River Association met with the church here to-day.

In the absence of the brother appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, and his alternate, by motion made and carried by Association, Rev. G. M. Duke preached said sermon. Text: Rom. 6th chapter and latter clause 23rd verse.

In absence of Moderator, who was kept from us by indisposition, Bro. C. M. Cooke was called to preside *pro tem.*

Association was called to order, and Bro. R. M. Johnson appointed reading clerk, and brethren John W. Allen, B. F. Briggs, Howard Allen and Levi Perkinson appointed Finance Committee.

A communication was received from clerk of Disciples Church tendering to our body the use of their house of worship; also the Methodist and Presbyterian brethren tendered to us their houses of worship, and received the grateful acknowledgments of the body.

The roll of churches was then called, and after reading letters from some of them, Association adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met and was led in prayer by Bro. W. R. Gwaltney, of Greensboro.

Reading of the letters was resumed, and the following churches answered by delegates and letters:

Antioch—Anderson Nevill.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, Wm. Sledge, N. Chichester.
Brown's—John W. Allen, J. H. Burroughs.
Conoconary—E. C. Pitman.
Carmel—B. J. Bunn.
Corinth—W. H. Bledsoe, S. H. Bailey.
Cedar Rock—Jesse Fulgum, J. H. Sledge.
Cypress Chapel—M. E. Joyner, Callie Benton.
Elm Grove—A. S. Baines, W. S. Batchelor, Henderson Williams.
Dawson's—O. C. Stallings, Thad. Vaughn, Wm. Applewhite.
Enfield—F. J. Dennis, Rev. C. A. Woodson.
Ephesus—J. T. Webb, W. M. Warren, J. H. Valentine.
Fishing Creek—Thomas Alford, Jas. R. Saunders.
Free Chapel—D. W. Gardner.
Gardner's—Jas. R. Rodwell.
Greenville—C. J. Hunter, John Duckitt, Thos. Carrick.
Hamilton—J. Whitley, R. B. Saulsbury.

Harriss' Chapel—S. W. Hamlet, W. E. Mabry John E. Laughter.
Hickory—B. F. Drake, W. H. Sexton.
John's Chapel—G. H. Broughton, G. W. Finch.
Louisburg—C. M. Cooke, H. L. McGee.
Littleton—Jesse A. Carter, Howard Browning.
Mt. Vernon—J. M. Neal, G. W. Ward.
Maple Springs—Robt. B. Gilliam.
Mt. Olivet—By letter.
Mt. Zion—Ambrose Aycock, A. B. Joyner.
New Bethel—Rev. G. W. Coppedge.
New Hope—J. J. Farmer, M. A. Adams.
Peach Tree—G. A. Gardner.
Philadelphia—By letter.
Pleasant Grove—G. R. Hinton, John W. Hinton.
Poplar Springs—H. F. Freeman.
Pine Forest—
Quankie—Willie Green, Jesse Rhea.
Red Bud—J. S. Harper.
Rehoboth—J. C. Beal, J. M. Henry.
Reedy Creek—Sam. Lancaster, Walter Robertson, J. W. Duke.
Rock Spring—B. F. Wilder, C. H. Wheelers, A. J. Underhill.
Roanoke—Rev. W. B. Morton, W. E. Daniel.
Rocky Mount—J. J. Coley, H. D. Avera.
Samaria—J. S. Hagwood, D. S. Cone, W. H. Hagwood.
Sandy Creek—J. J. Ward.
Sharon—Rev. L. C. Perkinson.
Shiloh—Handy Crudup.
Scotland Neck—R. M. Johnson, Noah Biggs, W. T. Dunn.
Social Plains—Bryant Alford, Sydney Alford.
Turkey Branch—D. C. Thrower, T. N. Butts, Jas. Boon.
Toisnot—W. R. Carter, D. Parker.
Tarboro—Rev. J. A. Leslie, C. I. Austin.
Williamston—
Washington—
Wilson—A. N. Daniel, G. W. Blount, B. B. Rhodes.
Warrenton—J. J. Biggs, Rev. T. J. Taylor.
Warren Plains—W. E. Weldon.

Letters being read, the Association went into permanent organization by electing C. M. Cooke Moderator and A. G. Willcox Clerk and Treasurer.

The Association adopted the order of business that governed them last year: Meet at 9: 30 o'clock and adjourn at 12 : 30 o'clock. Meet at 3 o'clock, adjourn at will.

Invitation extended to visiting brethren and accepted by Rev. C. T. Bailey, of BIBLICAL RECORDER, of Central Association ; Revs. R. T. Vann and W. J. Fulford, of Central Association, and representative of Education Board ; Rev. W. R. Gwaltney, of Beulah ; Rev. R. T. Bryan and Dr. Theo. Whitfield, of Atlantic; John E. Ray, of Raleigh ; J. H. Mills, of Beulah, and Baptist Orphanage; Prof. J. B. Brewer, of West Chowan ; Prof. M. M. Hargrove, of Flat River.

Pastor and Deacons of this church appointed a Committee on Religious exercises.

Mt. Hebron church made application by letter and delegates for admission into this body, and a committee consisting of brethren G. M. Duke, W. R. Gwaltney and C. A. Woodson, to examine into covenant and articles of faith of said church and report at earliest convenience.

The brethren appointed to write on Associational Missions being absent, on motion, brethren Carrick and Hufham appointed to write on same.

Associational Missions made special order for to-morrow 10 o'clock, and report on Education to follow.

Ministers present (*ex-officio*) members of the Association: J. D. Hufham, R. E. Peele, G. M. Duke, R. D. Harper, D. Wester, G. W. Coppedge. John W. Sledge, Thos. Carrick, J. A. Leslie, T. J. Taylor, C. A. Woodson, C. L. Dowell, J. M. McManaway, L. C. Perkinson and A. G. Willcox.

Brown's and Rehoboth churches petitioned for Association next year.

Adjourned until to-morrow 9:30 oclock.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9:30 O'CLOCK.

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. J. A. Leslie.

The church at Middleburg made application for admission in our body, and the covenant and articles of faith, &c., referred to Examining Committee.

The committee appointed to inquire into orthodoxy, &c., of Hebron church, submitted the following report:

We, the committee to whom was referred the application of Hebron church for admission, beg leave to report that having examined the covenant and articles of faith of said church, and finding the same in due form, we cheerfully recommend that said church be received as members of this body.

G. M. DUKE,
C. A. WOODSON,
W. R. GWALTNEY.

Delegates welcomed and right hand of fellowship given by Moderator. Delegates: S. R. Pearce, Buck Shearin, Stephen Gupton.

Periodicals made special order for 3 o'clock.

State Missions made special order for Saturday 10 o'clock. Foreign Missions, 11 o'clock, and Home and Indian Missions, 3 o'clock.

Hour for special order having arrived, Associational Missions taken up and report read by Rev. J. D. Hufham:

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the year just closed there have been fourteen missionaries in the field.

Elder C. A. Woodson has been preaching once a month at Battleboro. The brethren at that place are engaged in the arduous enterprise of building a house of worship. In this undertaking they are entitled to the sympathy and aid of their brethren in more favored sections.

Elder R. E. Peele has been laboring at Pantego and Oregon Mills, in Beaufort county, and in the region around these places. At Pantego ten persons have been baptized and the church has been greatly strengthened. At Oregon Mills twenty persons have been baptized and a church of twenty-five members has been organized. In meetings at both these places he received very efficient help from Bro. C. L. Dowell, of Scotland Neck.

Elder Geo. W. Coppedge was continued in the field hitherto occupied by him. He has not been so successful as in other years, though he has not been without tokens of the Lord's presence with him for good.

Elder J. W. Sledge has been laboring at Stanhope and Bisset's Mill. In this field he has been greatly blessed. Fourteen persons have been baptized.

Elder A. D. Cohen labored until the 1st of August in Martin county, and baptized two persons. The outlook in that field is, in the judgment of your committee, brighter than at any previous period in the history of the mission.

Elder Thomas Carrick has been laboring at Pactolus and in the neighborhood of Falkland, Pitt county. At the former place two persons have been received for baptism, and at both places he has been greatly encouraged.

Elders R. D. Harper and J. S. Barclay have been laboring at Free Chapel. We are without any definite report from that field.

Elder A. G. Willcox has been laboring at Fishing Creek and Turkey Branch. At the former place the house of worship has been completed and sixteen persons have been added to the church. At the latter thirteen persons have been baptized and the cause is making steady progress, although the brethren are still cumbered with the burden of an unfinished house of worship. In this field our brother has been signally blessed.

Elder J. L. White has been preaching once a month at Middleburg. He has baptized fifteen persons. The brethren at that place ask for a reduced appropriation next year. They would not ask for anything but for the fact that their house of worship is still incomplete.

Bro. C. L. Dowell has been laboring with great acceptance at Halifax, Tillery and other points in Halifax county. During the spring he assisted Elder R. E. Peele in meetings in Beaufort county, in which his labors were greatly blessed.

Elder J. M. Willoughby labored part of the year at Nashville with brightening prospects, until he left to become a student in the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. It is hoped that the field may be occupied during his absence, and that a good house of worship, which the brethren are now endeavoring to build, may be completed.

Elder M. V. McDuffie has been preaching once a month at a destitute point not very far from Littleton. Ten persons have been baptized and a church of twenty-eight members has been organized.

Elder J. A. Leslie has been preaching once a month at Rocky Mount. The cause at this place has received a fresh impulse and we may hope that it will be permanently strengthened under his ministry.

Elder James M. McManaway has been preaching once a month at Stantonsburg, nine miles from Wilson.

This rapid survey of the field calls for devout thankfulness to God, who has smiled on the efforts of his people to extend His cause. It should also call on us to go forward with larger faith and liberality to greater conquests in His name.

J. D. HUFHAM, Chairman.

The report was earnestly and forcibly discussed by breth-

ren Duke, Hufham and Cooke, and the amounts below pledged for the coming year:

Scotland Neck	$ 200 00	Mrs. B. M. Gill	$ 10 00
Louisburg	120 00	Mrs. C. A. Strickland	10 00
Bear Swamp	100 00	Mrs. J. F. Jones	10 00
A. G. Willcox (his field)	100 00	R. E. Peele	10 00
Wilson	100 00	J. T. Barnes	10 00
Brown's	85 00	Free Chapel	10 00
Tarboro	50 00	Louisburg (S. S.)	10 00
Warrenton	50 00	Cypress Chapel	5 00
Beaufort field	50 00	Elm Grove	5 00
Mt. Zion	50 00	Hickory	5 00
Reedy Creek	50 00	John's Chapel	5 00
Greenville	50 00	Samaria	5 00
Littleton	40 00	Social Plains	5 00
J. D. Hufham	35 00	Toisnot	5 00
W. E. Bowers	35 00	Hebron	5 00
G. M. Duke	35 00	Pactolus	5 00
Conoconary	30 00	Jas. V. Bunting	5 00
Roanoke	30 00	J. H. Burroughs	5 00
Rock Springs	30 00	M. R. Pernell	5 00
Gardner's	30 00	O. C. Stallings	5 00
Hamilton	30 00	G. W. Ward	5 00
Peach Tree	25 00	J. M. Neal	5 00
Ephesus	25 00	R. D. Harper	5 00
Cedar Rock	25 00	J. J. Coley	5 00
Corinth	25 00	J. W. Sledge	5 00
Rehoboth	25 00	Thad. Vaughn	5 00
Rocky Mount	25 00	J. W. Hinton	5 00
T. J. Taylor	25 00	J. B. Brewer (paid)	5 00
J. T. Webb	25 00	J. E. Laughter	5 00
W. A. Dunn	25 00	Rev. W. J. Fulford	5 00
Dawson's	25 00	J. W. Duke	5 00
John Watson	25 00	S. E. Lancaster	5 00
Sharon	20 00	Red Bud (R. D. H.)	5 00
Rev. C. L. Dowell	20 00	B. D. Rice	5 00
Williamston	15 00	Walter Robertson	5 00
L. C. Perkinson	15 00	J. H. Thorpe	5 00
Sandy Creek	15 00	Young Girl's Band, Wilson	5 00
Warren Plains	15 00	D. H. Ward	3 00
Antioch	10 00	J. H. Valentine	3 00
Enfield	15 00	B. B. Rhodes	3 00
Mt. Vernon	10 00	Howard Browning	2 50
New Bethel	10 00	W. A. Dunn (paid)	2 50
New Hope	10 00	M. A. Adams	2 00
Pleasant Grove (Z. Hinton)	10 00	J. M. Henry	2 00
A. Nevill	10 00	C. B. Body	2 00
W. B. Morton	10 00		
Robert Gilliam	10 00	Total	$2,010 00

Report adopted.

Report on Education (Appendix A), was next considered. Report read by Rev. G. M. Duke, and discussed by brethren Duke, Coppedge, Sledge, Pernell, Dunn and Wester.

While subject was pending, Association adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order and led in prayer by Bro. Woodson.

Letters from Poplar Springs and Hamilton read and delegates enrolled.

The following brethren were appointed Executive Committee for the ensuing year: C. M. Cooke, W. E. Bowers, Noah Biggs, J. T. Webb, W. A. Dunn, G. W. Blount and J. W. Allen.

Place of next Association came up, and on motion made and carried unanimously, Brown's Church was decided upon at usual time, Thursday before 2nd Sunday in Oct., 1886.

Committee reported upon covenant, articles of faith, &c., of church at Middleburg:

We, the Committee appointed to examine the articles of faith and church covenant of Middleburg, report that same are in due form, and we recommend the reception of said church as members of this body.

G. W. DUKE,
C. A. WOODSON,
W. R. GWALTNEY,
Committee.

Church received, and Clerk instructed to notify said church of their reception and welcome into our body.

Committee on Ministers to preach stated sermons report as follows:

To preach Introductory Sermon—A. G. Willcox. Alternate, Thos. Carrick.
To preach Denominational Sermon—J. A. Leslie. Alternate, T. J. Taylor.
To preach Missionary Sermon—Dr. J. D. Hufham. Alternate, J. M. McManaway.

G. W. BLOUNT,
W. E. BOWERS,
B. F. WILDER,
Committee.

The subject of Education that was pending at dismission was again resumed and discussed by Rev. R. T. Vann, after which the amounts below were pledged for coming year:

Scotland Neck	$ 50 00	Reedy Creek	$ 10 00
Louisburg	50 00	Weldon	10 00
Brown's	25 00	Mt. Zion	8 00
Wilson	25 00	Corinth	7 00
A. G. Willcox (on field)	25 00	Sharon	7 00
Greenville	15 00	Poplar Spring	6 00
Littleton	15 00	Conoconary	5 00
Warrenton	15 00	Free Chapel	5 00
Tarboro	15 00	Hamilton	5 00
Bear Swamp	10 00	Peach Tree	5 00
Ephesus	10 00	Philadelphia	5 00
Gardner's	10 00	Rock Spring	5 00
Maple Spring	10 00	Williamston	5 00

Hickory	$ 5 00	Red Bud	$ 2 50
Rehoboth	5 00	Enfield	2 00
R. E. Peele	5 00	Mt. Vernon	2 00
Rocky Mount	5 00	New Bethel	2 00
New Hope	3 00	Toisnot	2 00
Antioch	3 00	John's Chapel	1 00
Elm Grove	2 50	Pactolus	1 00
Sandy Creek	2 50	Social Plains	1 00
Warren Plains	2 50		
Pleasant Grove	2 50	Total	$407 50

Report adopted.

Report on Periodicals (App. B.) next claimed attention of the body and Bro. Huf ham, for Committee, read the report, which was amended by adding *Foreign Mission Journal* and *Kind Words*. Subject was discussed by brethren Bailey, Bryan, Taylor and others, after which it was adopted.

It was ordered by the body that the usual hour for service at night be given to Bro. J. H. Mills, of Baptist Orphanage.

Finance Committee made their report:

We, the Finance Committee, beg leave to make the following report:

Received for Foreign Missions	$ 12 85
" " State Missions	2 00
" " Associational Missions	1,413 68
" " Home and Indian Missions	12 00
" " Ministerial Education	60 50
" " Orphan Fund	3 00
" " Minute Fund	73 27
	$1,577 30
Of the above amount $5.00 is due from Rehoboth and $20.00 from Reedy Creek on Associational Missions	25 00
Total amount collected	$1,552 30

Respectfully,

B. F. BRIGGS,
L. C. PERKINSON,
HOWARD BROWNING,
JNO. W. ALLEN,
Committee.

Wilson, N. C., October 9th, 1885.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Minute Fund.	Orphan Asylum.	Total.
Antioch			$10 00			$ 1 00		$ 11 00
Bear Swamp	$ 2 00	$ 1 00	100 00	$2 00	$ 2 00	2 00	$ 3 00	112 00
Brown's			50 00			2 50		52 50
Conoconary			45 00			1 25		46 25
Corinth			25 00		5 00	2 00		32 00
Cedar Rock	2 00		30 00			1 50		33 50
Cypress Chapel						1 00		1 00
Dawson's			15 00			1 50		16 50
Elm Grove			15 00			1 50		16 50
Enfield			10 00			50		10 50
Ephesus			15 00		10 00	1 00		26 00
Fishing Creek			10 00			1 50		11 50
Free Chapel						1 00		1 00
Gardner's			30 00			2 00		32 00
Greenville			50 00			1 00		51 00
Hamilton			25 00			1 00		26 00
Harriss' Chapel			16 75			1 00		17 75
Hickory						1 50		1 50
John's Ch., Mis. Sta.			6 75		2 50	1 00		10 25
Louisburg			90 00		25 00	3 00		118 00
Littleton			30 00			1 32		31 32
Mt. Vernon	1 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	1 00		5 00
Mt. Olivet			5 00			1 00		6 00
Mt. Zion	25		50 00	5 00		1 50		56 75
Mt. Hebron						1 50		1 50
Maple Springs			17 00			2 25		19 25
New Bethel			10 00			1 50		11 50
New Hope	1 10		8 60			35		10 05
Peach Tree								
Philadelphia	1 50					1 90		3 40
Pleasant Grove			10 00			1 00		11 00
Pactolus, Mis. Sta.			5 00					5 00
Pine Forest								
Quankie			15 00			1 50		16 50
Red Bud						1 40		1 40
Rehoboth			25 00			1 50		26 50
Reedy Creek			50 00		10 00	2 00		62 00
Rock Springs			30 00		5 00	1 50		36 50
Roanoke						2 00		2 00
Rocky Mount	5 00		20 00			1 00		26 00
Samaria						2 50		2 50
Social Plains			5 00			1 00		6 00
Sandy Creek						1 10		1 10
Sharon			30 00			2 25		32 25
Scotland Neck			200 00			2 00		202 00
Shiloh						2 00		2 00
Tarboro			9 25					9 25

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S TABLE—*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Minute Fund.	Orphan Asylum.	Total.
Toisnot	------	------	$ 5 00	------	------	$ 1 00	------	$ 6 00
Turkey Branch	------	------	15 00	------	------	1 00	------	16 00
Warrenton	------	------	58 60	------	------	3 00	------	61 60
Warren Plains	------	------	5 00	------	------	1 45	------	6 45
Wilson	------	------	100 00	------	------	3 00	------	103 00
Carmel	------	------	------	5 00	------	------	------	5 00
							$ 3 00	$1412 57

Individual pledges received for Associational Missions as follows:

T. M. Ward	$ 5 00
Miss Mary J. Webb	10 00
John Watson	50 00
J. T. Webb	50 00
D. C. Thrower	5 00
J. E. Rue, Jr.	2 50
M. A. Adams	1 60
R. D. Harper	5 00
Goodman Lewis (Ministerial Education)	1 63
George M. Duke	25 00
A. G. Willcox	10 00

The Treasurer of Executive Committee made his report, which was adopted:

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

To cash paid Elder C. A. Woodson, for services at Battleboro,	$ 125 00	
To cash paid Elder R. E. Peele, for services in Beaufort and Hyde Counties,	300 00	
To cash paid Elder G. W. Coppedge, for services in Nash county,	100 00	
To cash paid Elder J. W. Sledge,	50 00	
To cash paid Elder A. D. Cohen, for services in Martin county,	200 00	
To cash paid Elder Thomas Carrick, for services in Pitt county,	75 00	
To cash paid Elder R. D. Harper,	10 00	
To cash paid Elder A. G. Willcox, for services at Fishing Creek and Turkey Branch,	175 00	
To cash paid Elder J. L. White, for services at Middleburg,	56 25	
To cash paid Elder C. L. Dowell, for services at Halifax and Tillery's,	200 00	
Amount carried forward,		$1,291 25

Amount brought forward,	$1,291 25	
To cash paid Elder J. M. Millibee, for services at Nashville and Mt. Carmel,	143 75	
To cash paid Elder M. V. McDuffie, for services near Littleton,	56 25	
To cash paid Elder C. L. Dowell, expenses to Beaufort county,	20 00	
To cash paid Elder J. G. Bartley,	30 00	
To cash paid Elder J. A. Leslie, for services at Rocky Mount,	75 00	
To cash paid Elder C. L. Dowell, for services at lower end Halifax county,	200 00	
		$ 1,816 25
1884.		
Oct. 6. By amount on hand this date,	$ 307 12	
" " from Association,	1,564 89	
" cash of Elder W. J. Hopkins,	5 00	
" " " Reedy Creek church,	10 00	
		$ 1,887 01
1885.		
Oct. 6. Amount on hand this date,		$ 70 76

Adjourned. Benediction by Bro. O. L. Stringfield.

NIGHT SESSION.

Association met, and after the usual devotional services, was called to order, and the following resolution was offered by Bro. Hufham:

WHEREAS, It hath entered into the hearts of some of our brethren to found an Orphanage in which to care for the indigent children of our deceased brethren and others; and

WHEREAS, An Orphanage Association has been organized for this purpose, duly chartered by act of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Land has been purchased and paid for near Thomasville, Davidson county, in all respects admirably adapted to the purposes of such an institution; and

WHEREAS, Six buildings, sufficient to accommodate one hundred and fifty orphans, have been provided for, one of them now approaching completion; and

WHEREAS, This institution commends itself to us because of its harmony with the spirit and teachings of our Lord, and because of its urgent need: therefore,

Resolved, That we hereby express our thankfulness to God for the founding of this institution and for its successful prosecution thus far.

Resolved, That we commend the enterprise to our churches and urge that some plan of collections for its furtherance be adopted in each of them.

Which passed unanimously.

Bro. Mills then in a most forcible and feeling manner addressed the Association on the subject of Gospel Charity, and a cash collection amounting to $53.58 was taken.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, 9:30 O'CLOCK.

Association met pursuant to adjournment, and religious exercises conducted by Bro. John E. Ray.

This resolution by Bro. Hufham, was offered and passed:

WHEREAS, The circulation of our denominational literature is a matter of exceeding great importance; and

WHEREAS, There is now arrangement for that purpose: therefore,

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be instructed to take this matter into consideration, and so soon as funds can be secured—this being the principle difficulty—to put into the field one colporteur or more.

Report on State Missions (App. C.) next claimed the attention of the body, and after the reading of the report by the Chairman of the Committee, Bro. John E. Ray followed in a most forcible, earnest appeal, and the balance due from this Association of pledge made at the Convention was raised in cash and pledges, as follows:

Louisburg	$ 10 00
J. D. Hufham	10 00
Warrenton	10 00
Tarboro Miss. Society	5 00
Brooklyn Sunday School	1 00
Conoconary	5 00
*B. T. Strickland	5 00
J. A. Leslie	5 00
*John Allen	1 00
J. M. McManaway	5 00
*W. E. Bowers	3 00
*Thad. Vaughn	1 00
*R. B. Saulsbury	5 00
*R. D. Harper	50
*Rev. L. C. Perkinson	5 00
*J. J. Biggs	1 00
Ladies' Miss. Soc'y, Wilson	5 00
*C. J. Austin	1 00
*Walter Daniel	5 00
C. M. Cooke	5 00
*W. A. Dunn	$ 5 00
*Jas. Coley	2 00
*T. J. Taylor	1 00
*R. T. Bryant	1 00
*R. E. Peele	1 00
J. H. Burroughs	1 00
*O. L. Stringfield	1 00
*J. A, Whitley	1 00
*A. G. Willcox	1 00
T. Wester	1 00
*Noah Biggs	1 00
*R. T. Vann	1 00
*Mrs. J. F. Devine	1 00
*Mrs. Ben. Cobb	1 00
*O. C. Stallings	1 00
*Joe Taylor	1 00
Cash	6 30
Total	$115 30

Those marked thus * paid. Balance unpaid.

Report adopted.

Rev. R. E. Peele spoke of his efforts to advance work in his field, and of the parsonage built on our lot in Pantego, and what he had taken of his own means to do it, and that he wanted $100.00, and in a few minutes this amouut was raised:

R. M. Johnson, (paid)	$5 00	Greenville Sunday School,	$5 00
J. M. McManaway,	5 00	Mrs. Peterson,	5 00
R. T. Vann,	5 00	Brooklyn Sunday School,	5 00
O. L. Stringfield,	5 00	Ladies of Wilson Church,	5 00
C. M. Cooke,	5 00	Mrs. D. Edmondson, (paid,)	5 00
J. D. Hufham,	5 00	Dr. J. C. Fowler, (O. L. S.,)	5 00
T. J. Taylor,	5 00	Cash,	9 46
Wilson Sunday School,	5 00	W. J. Fulford,	1 00
Bear Swamp,	5 00	Miss Sarah Bryan,	1 00
Dr. H. F. Freeman, (O. L. S.,)	5 00	Miss Dora Little, (paid,)	1 00
Tarboro Sunday School, (paid,)	5 00	Mrs. Nannie Sutton,	1 00
Enfield Sunday School,	5 00		
			$103 46

This resolution was passed unanimously in connection with the Memorial Church at Greenville :

WHEREAS, Our brethren in Greenville are endeavoring to complete a new house of worship; and

WHEREAS, It was designed that this house should commemorate the organization of the Baptist State Convention in that place a little over fifty years ago, and also be a thank-offering to the past of the Baptists of the State for God's blessings on us as a denomination; and

WHEREAS, The Convention did encourage the brethren at Greenville by resolutions of approval and sympathy, to go forward in the enterprise; and

WHEREAS, The house is still incomplete by reason of a debt incurred in pushing the work to its present state of forwardness: therefore,

Resolved, That we do request the Baptist State Convention, at its next session, to take such measures as may be deemed best to aid the brethren in Greenville to liquidate this debt.

Resolved, That in this work we will cheerfully co-operate.

The Moderator being compelled to leave, Bro. G. W. Blount was elected Moderator, *pro tem.*

Report on Foreign Missions (App. D.) read by Bro. Woodson, and adopted by the body.

Enthusiastic appeals in the interest of Foreign Missions were made by Rev. Dr. Whitfield and Rev. R. T. Bryan.

The fellowing resolution was passed by the body :

Resolved, That we will endeavor during the coming year, as far as in us lies, to increase our contributions for Foreign Missions during the Associational year.

Report adopted as amended by the resolution.

It was ordered by the body that the collection to-morrow go to Foreign Missions.

The following committees were appointed :

On Associational Missions—G. W. Blount, J. M. McManaway.
On Periodicals—Rev. C. A. Woodson, I. W. Allen.
On State Missions—J. A. Leslie, C. J. Austin.
On Foreign Missions—T. J. Taylor, W. A. Montgomery.
On Education—W. A. Dunn, R. E. Peele.
On Sunday Schools—Thos. Carrick, John Ducket.
On Obituaries—A. G. Willcox, D. Wester.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association assembled and led in prayer by Rev. J. A. Leslie.

Moved by Rev. J. M. McManaway to take the resoluion, relative to the Constitution, off the table and refer to a committee of the following brethren, to be brought before the next session of the body: J. D. Huf ham, C. M. Cooke, A. G. Willcox and T. J. Taylor. Adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read and referred to the Auding Committee, who reported as follows:

I have this day examined the accounts of Treasurer of Association and Treasurer of Executive Committee, and find same to be correct.

J. J. BIGGS, Auditing Committee.

Report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

DEBITS.

1884.			
Oct. 11.	To amount on hand at last Association,	$ 31	36
	From Finance Committee for Foreign Missions,	25	91
	" " " " State Missions,	3	00
	" " " " Home and Indian Missions,	8	23
	" " " " Sunday School Board,	1	50
	" " " " Minute Fund,	69	30
	Sunday collection,	13	85
	Education, J. A. Pope,	2	00
	Ministerial Education,	115	61
	Rev. W. J. Hopkins, Associational Missions,	5	00
		$ 275	76

CONTRA.

By amount paid	Rev. G. W. Coppedge,	$ 57	80
" " "	Rev. J. W. Sledge,	57	80
" " "	B. F. Montague for Foreign Mis.,	25	91
" " "	" " " State Missions	12	25
" " "	" " " Home and Indian Mis.,	12	84
" " "	" " " S. S. Board,	1	50
" " "	Edwards, Broughton & Co., for Printing Minutes,	45	00
" " "	B. F. Montague, for Education (J. A. Pope),	2	00
" " "	Noah Biggs for W. J. H., As. Mis.	5	00
" " "	Clerk's fee	25	00
" " "	Stationary, mailing manuscripts, &c.		56
		$ 245	66
Cash in hand due Association,		30	10
		$ 275	76

Respectfully submitted, A. G. WILLCOX, Treasurer.

Hour for special order having arrived, Home and Indian Missions called for. No report.

It was ordered by the body that Bro. J. M. McManaway prepare same for minutes. (App. E.)

Bro. McManaway spoke of the great work done by this Board, and of the urgent need, and some two hundred dollars was promised by this Association for the noble work.

The following named brethren and sisters are pledged to see that the collection is taken in their respective churches for Home Missions:

Antioch—A. Nevell.
Bear Swamp—W. P. Sledge.
Brown's—Rev. T. J. Taylor.
Conoconary—E. C. Pitman.
Corinth—Mrs. Dr. Judd.
Cedar Rock—J. A. Coppedge.
Dawson's—Wm. Applewhite.
Elm Grove—W. S. Batchelor.
Enfield—F. J. Dennis.
Ephesus—W. M. Warren.
Fishing Creek—T. H. Gaskins.
Free Chapel—D. W. Gardner.
Gardner's—Jas. R. Rodwell.
Greenville—C. J. Hunter.
Hamilton—J. A. Whitely.
Harriss' Chapel—J. E. Laughter.
Hickory—B. F. Drake.
John's Chapel—G. W. Finch.
Louisburg—Miss Mollie Wilder.
Littleton—
Mt. Vernon—
Maple Springs—Miss Mary Webb.
Mt. Olivet—
Mt. Zion—Geo. H. Cooper.
New Bethel—B. F. Stanback.
New Hope—M. A. Adams.
Peach Tree—G. A. Gardner.
Philadelphia—Geo. Duke.
Pleasant Grove—Jno. W. Hinton.
Poplar Springs—Dr. H. F. Freeman.
Pine Forest—
Quankie—A. G. Willcox.
Red Bud—J. S. Harper.
Rehoboth—W. B. Harper.
Reedy Creek—W. T. Robertson.
Rock Springs—
Roanoke—W. E. Daniel, Esq.
Rocky Mount—J. J. Coley.
Samaria—Thos. Westry.
Sandy Creek—J. H. Gupton.
Sharon—L. C. Perkinson.
Scotland Neck—Dr. R. M. Johnson.
Shiloh—
Tarboro—J. A. Leslie.
Toisnot—C. A. Woodson.
Turkey Branch—T. C. Thrower.
Washington—
Warrenton—Rev. T. J. Taylor.
Wilson—A. N. Daniel.
Warren Plains—Wm. D. Weldon.
Williamston—

Report on Sunday Schools (Appendix F) was read by Dr. Hufham. Report adopted without discussion.

REPORT ON NEW CONSTITUTION.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following:

The New Constitution submitted to us does not differ in any material point from that under which we are now acting. It is snperior in clearness and conciseness of statement, but the advantages are not sufficient to justify a change at this time. Your Committee therefore ask to be excused from further consideration of the matter.

In behalf of the Committee, J. D. HUFHAM, Chairman.

Report adopted.

The Clerk was instructed by the Association to have the usual number of minutes published, and to receive the usual compensation for his services.

It was moved and passed by a most unanimous vote that the thanks of this body are most heartily tendered to the members of this church and citizens of the town, to the brethren of the Disciples, Methodist and Presbyterian churches for the use of their houses of worship and generous hospitality.

Adjourned to meet at Brown's, Warren county, Thursday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1886.

C. M. COOKE, Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

(A.)

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

It has pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save those that believe, (indeed the living ministry is God's appointed means of converting men,) hence it is the most important and responsible work that can be given men to do. If the written Word is what men are to preach, it is all important that those who enter into this work should be as thoroughly acquainted with the Scriptures as is possible for them to be. The call to preach also includes the call to prepare to preach. "Study to show thyself an approved workman" is the language of Paul to Timothy. It must be admitted by all (even by those who oppose an educated ministry) that men must be educated to some extent and somewhere to preach the gospel. The Lord surely gives spiritual qualifications, but the natural means must be acquired. A man cannot preach simply because he is educated; he must have heart qualification as well as head. The ministry is a calling, not a profession; but if a man is called of God to preach an education surely will help him to rightly divide the Word. I cannot see how any one can believe otherwise.

In all ages there nave been men uneducated in the schools that have been successful ministers. God be praised for these men. But were they not educated? Yes, at home, by the road, in their work; but it requires years of toil for them to be educated. These men regret all their life the want of thorough training. Now if these men can be so aided as to enable them to acquire in one year what it otherwise takes them three years to acquire, would it not be better? Now this is all we propose to do in our schools, simply to give those whom God calls to preach, who are unable to educate themselves, the advantages of these aids. I must notice some objections: 1st. Some say educated men preach so learned I cannot understand them. The trouble here is the man is not educated; the best informed men preach plainest. 2nd. Some say those whom we assist do not come back to us. The Education Board always advise them to return; and besides a great many preach for us assisted by others. We are working for the cause of Christ.

In conclusion, brethren, this is a great work and is worthy of our prayers and sympathies, our cordial support. The endowment of the college has nothing to do with the support of beneficiaries. This is a work for the churches from year to year. There are at presenf 28 beneficiaries at the college. This Association has given $183 to the Board of Education this year. I hope we shall do more in the future. Respectfully submitted,

G. M. DUKE.

(B.)

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The press is a known power, whether secular or religious. A well conducted denominational paper creates spiritual power, lends enthusiasm and organizes its members. There are various periodicals which we might read with great pleasure and profit, but no Baptist family in North Carolina can afford to do without the BIBLICAL RECORDER. If every Baptist in the State would read the RECORDER, our power and usefulness would be doubly increased.

Your Committee would also recommend to the members of our churches the *Foreign Mission Journal* and *Kind Words.*

W. E. BOWERS, Chairman.

(C.)

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We cordially approve and endorse the action of the Board of Missions in procuring the services of Bro. John E. Ray, with a view to a more thorough and vigorous prosecution of our State work.

We are assured of the wisdom of this step by the results. By the missionaries under the direction of the Board there have been during the past year more than 3,000 persons baptized.

The State Mission work is now impressing itself as never before on our people. How important the work and how large the field. We cannot hope to occupy all the destitute places now. We are endeavoring as far as practicable to build churches in those places which are as keys to other destitute sections, and from which the power of influence may be most effective and far reaching.

The Lord seems in a signal and emphatic manner to bless the labors of our people within our borders. We shall be unwise and unfaithfull if we shall fail to push this work to its fullest success. We need our best and most judicious elders for our mission work. C. M. COOKE, Chairman.

(D.)

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission work is of such supreme importance that we need to be constantly reminded of duty in this direction and the necessity of zeal and activity in prosecuting it.

God's blessing seems to be resting in a peculiar manner on the labors of our missionaries in foreign lands. This calls for increased interest and contributions on our part. It does not come within the province of this report to discuss at length the extent of the work, its helps, hindrances, and its needs, &c. It will be sufficient for the present to state that our Board has missionaries in Mexico, Brazil, Italy, Africa and China. The mission in Mexico, under the wise leadership of Bro. Powell, is in a remarkably prosperous and hopeful condition. The work in Brazil, though encountering great opposition, is being pushed with success, and promises much for the future. The work in Italy is blessed and owned of God. Dr. Taylor has returned to America for rest and recuperation, but seems satisfied that the mission is entrusted to a safe man in the person of Bro. Eager. The mission in Africa, though pushed under great difficulties, is not without encouraging results. This field has lately acquired an increased and melancholy interest by the death of Mrs. W. J. David, wife of one of our devoted missionaries to that land "sitting in the shadow of death." Her last words to her husband, "Don't give up Africa," ought to ring like a clarion through our southern churches, quickening the religious pulse of our whole brotherhood. Ring on dying words of the heroic martyr for the truth,

ring on like the restless murmur of the great waves that cover thee, until you are heard by all of our churches, and they answer by prayers and contributions for other laborers to take the places of those who fall in the conflict.

The mission in China is one of the oldest and most difficult under the control of our Board. The central figure of that mission is the heroic Dr. Yates, a man in whom North Carolinians ought to feel a special interest. God has signally blessed and honored North Carolina in calling her sons to China for the great work of redeeming that land from the slavery of heathenism.

In the providence of God, two young brethren from our midst are soon to go to China to reinforce the mission in that countr'. Let them not be hindered in their plan of going by any failure of contribuions on our part. I can almost imagine that I see the gleam of triumph in the eye of the veteran Yates and those who gather around him, when he meets the strong young men whom North Carolina sends him.

Brethren, this great work, by its grandeur and its pathos, appeals to the most generous promptings of the benevolent heart. Let us see to it that it does not languish for want of our sympathy, our prayers, and our means.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. WOODSON.

(E.)

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The work of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention appeals to our sympathies, prayers and contributions. During the last Conventional year 185 laborers have been employed. Of these, 80 labored in Texas, 34 in Florida, 21 in Arkansas, 12 in *North Carolina*, 6 in Louisiana, 21 among the Indians, and the rest in other States. They delivered 17,029 sermons and addresses, conducted 2,840 prayer meetings, baptized 2,931 professors of faith, and added to the churches by letter 4,733 members. They report 173 Sunday Schools with a total of 6,194 officers, teachers and pupils. Fifty-three new churches have been organized and 14 aided in building houses of worship during the year. The field is not yet nearly occupied. One-third of the county towns of Arkansas have no house of worship, and few of the remaining two-thirds are able to support a pastor. In Louisiana 28 counties have not a single Baptist preacher or Baptist house of worship. In Texas there are 54 counties without a preacher; 40,000 square miles of territory entirely destitute of the gospel; 30,000 people who live 100 miles from any regular preaching; 50,000 negroes in great ignorance with only two missionaries among them. These are only hints of the great destitution in parts of our Southern land. Other denominations are stretching forth the helping hand; shall not Southern Baptists come up to the help of the Home Board in giving a pure Gospel?

Your Committee would recommend that each of the churches composing this Association make a contribution to this object by the 1st of April.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. MCMANAWAY.

(F.)

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee feels there is no branch of Christian work of more importance, or that will redown to the glory of God, or that will result in the conversion of more souls, than training the young in our Sabbath schools, the preaching of the gospel excepted. While this work is not what it should be, nor is it progressing as it should, yet its strides are onward and upward, slowly yet surely. We earnestly commend to our brethren the importance of this work, a grand work, one which would to God every member of our churches were earnestly engaged in.

We observe that wherever a mission school has been established there the germ has been planted which will eventually develop into a Baptist church. We would refer you, brethren, to the history of a great many of our best churches; invariably you will find the ground was first broken by a Sabbath school. Our observation has been that the very best working, the most benevolent and most moral churches are those which have had flourishing and evergreen schools. We have examined the additions to the churches and find that those which have had the largest addition are those churches which have had good Sunday schools. We find the best members of the churches are those children gathered from among the Sunday school scholars.

We would urge our church clerks to always, in making out their letters to the Association, to be sure and fill out the Sunday School statistical tables; and to always add a special note stating the number of conversions from among the Sunday school scholars.

We commend and urge our brethren to purchase their Sunday School supplies from our Sunday School Supply Store at Raleigh. They know our needs and will supply them just as cheaply as the same work can be had anywhere else.

We urge every church to establish a Sunday School in its house of worship, and let it be an evergreen school. Also establish them in every destitute community.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. DENNIS,
JOHN A. COPPEDGE.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2nd. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3rd. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to enquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14th. This Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	COUNTIES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Time of Preaching.	Baptisms.	Rec'd by letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Dism'd by letter	Deaths.	White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch,	R. D. Harper,	Halifax,	J. J. Partin, Heathville,	1	2	---	1	---	---	2	25	50	75	1	76
Bear Swamp,	------	"	Henry Connell, Brinkleyville,	------	7	---	---	---	---	---	34	46	80	6	86
Brown's,	T. J. Taylor,	Warren,	E. P. Rodwell, Shatter,	2	5	5	---	---	1	---	37	55	92	---	92
Conoconary,	C. A. Woodson,	Halifax,	J. R. Pope, Crowells,	3	---	---	---	3	11	---	62	93	155	---	155
Corinth,	A. G. McManaway,	Franklin,	A. D. Ellis, Henderson,	1 and 3	10	1	---	2	1	---	50	85	135	---	135
Cedar Rock,	G. W. Newell,	"	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	1	2	---	1	8	1	---	42	52	94	---	94
Cypress Chapel,	D. Wester,	"	W. B. Stallings, Mapleville,	4	---	---	---	---	2	---	20	32	52	3	55
Dawson's,	C. A. Woodson,	Halifax,	B. C. Dunn, Enfield,	4	8	---	---	2	---	---	37	53	90	---	90
Enfield,	C. A. Woodson,	"	S. S. Alsop, Enfield,	2	2	---	1	1	---	---	12	25	37	---	37
Elm Grove,	M. R. Pernell,	Nash,	J. R. Rackley, Nashville,	1	20	1	---	---	2	---	49	73	122	---	122
Ephesus,	G. W. Coppedge,	"	W. M. Warren, Springhope,	3	14	---	---	4	1	1	25	42	67	---	67
Free Chapel,	J. G. Barkley,	"	Tina A. Bone, Nashville,	4	4	1	---	---	---	---	17	32	49	---	49
Fishing Creek,	A. G. Willcox,	"	Miles Bobbitt, Ringwood,	1	13	3	---	1	---	---	22	25	47	---	47
Gardner's,	W. B. Morton,	Warren,	J. W. Shearin, Macon,	3	10	2	1	---	4	2	45	83	128	---	128
Greenville,	Thos. Carrick,	Pitt,	D. J. Whichard, Greenville,	1 and 3	12	3	1	3	1	2	21	66	87	---	87
Hickory,	J. G. Barkley,	Nash,	B. F. Drake, Battleboro,	1	---	---	---	3	4	---	26	37	63	---	63
Harriss' Chapel	A. G. Willcox,	Halifax,	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola,	3	4	---	---	1	3	---	25	37	62	---	62
Hamilton,	C. L. Dowell,	Martin,	R. B. Salsbury, Hamilton,	1 and 3	---	---	---	---	1	---	11	33	44	---	44
John's Chapel,	G. W. Coppedge,	Nash,	G. H. Broughton, Wilson,	4	1	---	---	3	1	---	14	17	31	---	31
Littleton,	M. V. McDuffie,	Halifax,	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton,	4 and 5	10	9	2	2	36	1	----	----	----	---	60
*Louisburg,	A. G. McManaway,	Franklin,	A. M. Hall, Louisburg,	1 and 3	---	---	---	---	---	---	40	59	99	---	99
Middleburg,	J. L. White,	------	C. J. Burton, Middleburg,	------	22	1	---	---	---	---	12	11	23	---	23
Mt. Hebron,	M. R. Pernell,	Franklin,	E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge,	3	35	31	---	---	---	---	32	34	66	---	66
Mt. Vernon,	C. A. Woodson,	Nash,	T. D. Wright, Battleboro,	4	1	---	1	---	1	---	6	3	9	---	9
Mt. Zion,	G. M. Duke,	Franklin,	A. P. Joyner, Laurel,	1	1	1	---	2	2	1	33	70	103	---	103

Mt. Olivet,	J. A. Pitchford,	Franklin,	F. Tharrington, Franklinton,	1							12	34	46		46
Maple Springs,	G. M. Duke,	"	A. W. Jackson, Mapleville,	4	1	1		1	2	1	35	66	101		101
New Bethel,	G. W. Coppedge,	Vance,	R. H. Duke, Henderson,	1	12	2	1	1	5	1	45	76	121		121
New Hope,	M. J. Willoughby,	Wilson,	H. F. Farmer, Wilson,	3	11	1	1	3	3		31	36	67		67
Pleasant Grove,	D. Wester,	Nash,	Z. R. Hinton, Nashville,	3						2	17	57	74	4	78
Philadelphia,	D. Wester,	"	Jas. V. Bunting, Hilliardston,	2		6		6	10	2	40	79	119		119
Poplar Springs,	O. L. Stringfield,	Franklin,	John Griffin, Sutton,	2	15	2		40	3	3	90	150	240		240
Peach Tree,	J. W. Sledge,	Nash,	J. J. H. Edwards, Castalia,	1	10	2		4	3	3	68	142	210		210
Quankie,	A. G. Willcox,	Halifax,	Willis Cullen, Weldon,	4	14	5		1	1		35	56	91		91
Rock Spring,	W. H. Edwards,	Franklin,	W. D. Harriss, Louisburg,	1	14	1	4	1		3	45	76	121		121
Reedy Creek,	G. M. Duke,	Warren,	B. P. Davis, Creek,	2	15	5	1	3	7	1	57	103	160		160
Rehoboth,	G. M. Duke,	Nash,	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount,	3					1	2	34	52	86		86
Red Bud,	J. A. Pitchford,	Franklin,	Samuel Harper, Castalia	2	6	7		5	19	6	53	115	168		168
Roanoke,	W. B. Morton,	Halifax,	W. E. Daniel, Weldon,		1	1		1	3	2	21	26	47		47
Rocky Mount,	J. A. Leslie,	Nash,	H. D. Avera, Rocky Mount,	1 and 3		4		5	1	2	12	19	31		31
Samaria,	John Sledge,	"	D. S. Cane, Stanhope,	2	20	2		9	7		60	131	191		191
Sharon,	W. B. Morton,	Warren,	P. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains	1		1			3	1	34	67	101		101
Scotland Neck,	J. D. Hufham,	Halifax,	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck,	1, 2, 3, 4	8	6		1		1	56	84	140		140
Social Plains,	R. Driver,	Franklin,	John Alford, Wakefield,	4	1	2					9	11	20		20
Sandy Creek,	J. A. Pitchford,	"	N. Davis, Cedar Rock,	3	7			23	5	1	56	118	174		174
Shiloh,	L. T. Christmas,	Vance,	Jordan Crudup, Kittrell,	2	23	2	4	8	4	10				597	597
Toisnot,	C. A. Woodson,	Wilson,	W. E. Winstead, Toisnot,	1	6	2				2		10	10		20
Turkey Branch,	A. G. Willcox,	Halifax,	D. C. Thrower, Drapers,	2	12	1		2			23	24	47		47
Tarboro,	J. A. Leslie,	Edgecombe,	C. J. Austin, Tarboro,	2 and 4	3	2					7	20	27	1	28
Wilson,	J. M. McManaway,	Wilson,	B. J. Cobb, Wilson,	1, 2, 3, 4	61	10	2	7	3	1	56	75	131		131
Warrenton,	T. J. Taylor,	Warren,	E. S. Allen, Warrenton,	1, 3, 4,		9		1	4	3					75
Warren Plains,	T. J. Taylor,	"	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains,		12	4		1	2		32	40	72		72
Williamston,															
Washington,															
					441	136	21	158	158	56	1625	2780	4405	612	5163

*Last year's statistics. The Clerk finds no letter.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Church Expenses.	Minute Fund.	Church Extension.	Sunday Schools.	Other Objects.	Baptist Orphanage.	TOTAL.
Antioch	$ 50 00	$	$	$	$ 10 00	$	$	$ 1 00	$	$	$	$	$ 61 00
Bear Swamp		2 00	1 00	2 00	100 00	2 00		2 00				3 00	112 00
Brown's	150 00	4 00			50 00	10 00		2 50			20 00		236 50
Conoconary					45 00					10 00			
Corinth	200 00				25 00	5 00		2 00			5 00		237 00
Cedar Rock	100 00	2 00			30 00		85 00	1 50					218 58
Cypress Chapel								1 00					1 00
Dawson's	150 00		2 00		15 00		20 00	1 50					188 50
Enfield	125 00				10 00		29 01	50		28 90			193 41
Elm Grove	75 00				15 00		154 00	1 50					245 50
Ephesus					15 00	10 00		1 00					26 00
Free Chapel	30 00						30 00	1 00					61 00
Fishing Creek	150 00				10 00		300 00	1 50					461 50
Gardner's	200 00		3 37		30 00	10 17	1 50	2 00		3 00			250 04
Greenville	500 00	3 50	13 50		50 00		54 24	1 00		102 85	87 70		812 79
Hickory	80 00							1 50					81 50
Harriss' Chapel	100 00		6 30		15 00	5 00	10 00	1 00			67 00		204 30
Hamilton	200 00				25 00		30 00	1 00	250 00	30 00	13 00		549 00
John's Chapel					6 75	2 50		1 00		2 50			12 75
Louisburg													
Littleton	175 00	12 50	9 50	8 60	30 00		15 00	1 32		25 00	13 00		289 52
Middleburg													
Mt. Hebron								1 50					1 50
Mt. Vernon	50 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	1 00	200 00	1 00					255 00
Mt. Zion	150 00	25		5 00	50 00	5 00		1 50		91 00			302 75

Mt. Olivet	63 00		5 00					1 00					69 00
Maple Spring	150 00	72	1 87		17 00			2 00		3 00	99		175 58
New Bethel	100 00				10 00		111 50	1 50					223 00
New Hope	50 00	1 10			10 00			35		3 00			64 45
Pleasant Grove					10 00			1 00					11 00
Philadelphia		1 50						1 90					3 40
Poplar Springs	150 00	9 61	2 09			9 81	5 00	2 00		15 00	2 25		195 76
Peach Tree					3 51			1 45					4 96
Quankie	125 00				15 00			1 50					141 50
Rock Spring	100 00	10 71			30 00	5 00		1 50		6 38			153 59
Reedy Creek	150 00		5 00	5 60	50 00	10 00		2 00			24 54		247 14
Rehoboth	150 00				25 00			1 50			1 85		178 35
Red Bud								1 40		3 03			4 43
Roanoke	200 00		3 98				22 80	2 00		21 00			249 78
Rocky Mount	150 00	6 00			20 00	5 00	50 00	1 00		35 00	84 60		351 60
Samaria	60 00						475 00	2 50					537 50
Sharon	175 00				20 00	11 00		2 25		4 25	17 00		229 50
Scotland Neck	1,000 00		100 00		200 00		150 00	2 00		300 00	1,400 00		3,152 00
Social Plains					5 00		500 00	1 00					506 00
Sandy Creek							7 50	1 10					8 60
Shiloh	258 00		10 00					2 00					270 00
Toisnot	200 00				5 00		40 00	1 00		5 00			256 00
Turkey Branch					15 00		135 00	1 00		3 00			154 00
Tarboro	600 00				9 50		30 00			12 00	100 00		751 00
Wilson	1,000 00				100 00	25 00	3 50	3 00		75 00	45 00		1,598 00
Warrenton	550 00	10 00	16 50	10 00						10 00		20 00	616 50
Warren Plains	75 00		2 12		5 00		9 45	1 45		5 35			98 27
Williamston													
Washington													
													$15,067 97

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Officers and Teacher.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes.	Conversions.	No. months kept Open.	Kind Words Taken.	Other Papers.	Baptist Teachers.	Contributions.
Brown's	J. W. Allen, Shatter	....	57	35	.....	...	...	...	.....	.....	$.....
Conoconary	J. J. Pope. Crowell	4	40	25	.....	...	12	.....	48	6	10 00
Corinth	A. D. Ellis, Henderson	4	30	20	150	...	8	.....	.....	.....	3 50
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	10	50	40	25	4	12	.....	75	.....	21 76
Cypress Chapel	J. A. Sledge, Mapleville	6	75	55	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dawson's	J. T. Lawrence, Dawson's X Rds	8	35	20	.....	...	6	20	15	.....	.....
Enfield	F. J. Dennis. Enfield	8	35	20	50	...	12	.....	25	1	28 90
Elm Grove	R. T. Mattnews, Nashville	5	30	20	25	...	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek	W. H. Lewis, Hilliardston	7	31	.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gardner's	J. R. Rodwell Macon	10	37	20	40	...	12	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Greenville	C. J. Hunter, Greenville	14	106	80	.....	...	12	.....	200	24	102 85
Hamilton	T. B. Haskett, Hamilton	8	52	42	50	...	12	30	18	5	30 00
John's Chapel	G. H. Broughton, Wilson	4	40	35	.....	...	12	.....	.....	.....	2 50
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton.	10	40	40	90	...	12	.....	.....	.....	25 00
Louisburg	No letter	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
Mt. Hebron	S. R. Pearce, Castalia	8	79	60	75	...	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Zion	G. H. Cooper, Laurel	7	65	54	.....	...	9	15	...	6	91 00
Mt. Olivet	W. A. Barrett, Franklinton	10	85	50	40	...	...	.....	.....	.....	3 25
Maple Springs	A. W Jackson, Mapleville	8	40	30	.....	...	...	.....	30	.....	3 00
" Br. School	J. H. Whelps, Mapleville	8	58	35	.....	...	...	20	...	.....	5 30
New Hope	H F. Farmer, Wilson	5	40	22	.....	...	6	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Philadelphia	K. P. Leonard, Hilliardston	5	30	15	100	...	8	...	.....	.....	1 90
Poplar Springs	J. H. Cheaves, Sutton	15	130	100	.....	...	12	40	12	.....	15 00
Quankie	G. A. Branch, Weldon	6	30	20	.....	...	4	...	.....	.....	.....
Rock Spring	W. D. Harriss, Louisburg	20	120	75	.....	...	9	.....	.....	...	6 38
Red Bud	T. S. Tollie Castalia	8	63	30	.....	...	6	.....	.....	.....	3 03
Roanoke	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	5	.....	25	.....	...	...	25	12	.....	1 00
Rocky Mount	Ed. W. Shearin, Rocky Mt	5	40	30	50	...	12	10	10	.....	35 00
Samaria	James Hagwood, Stanhope.	7	60	.....	.....	...	8	...	.....	.....	.....
Sharon	Rev. L. C. Perkinson, Oakville.	5	50	30	50	...	9	.....	.....	.....	4 25
Scotland Neck	Dr. R. M. Johnson, Scot. Neck.	23	155	125	500	...	12	200	200	75	300 00
Social Plains	John Alford, Wakefield.	3	50	30	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Laurel.	1	79	40	150	...	7	.....	10	.....	.....
Shiloh	Jordan Crudup, Kittrell	5	50	30	30	...	10	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Toisno	N. Y. Roberson, Toisnot	3	20	12	25	...	...	...	10	10	5 00
Turkey Branch	G. T. Saunders, Draper	5	53	25	.....	...	9	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	5	45	30	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	12 00
Wilson	G. W. Blount, Wilson	13	85	60	100	...	12	.....	50	12	75 00
Warren Plains	W. H. Bartlette, Warren Plains	11	42	30	100	...	12	...	30	....	5 35
		300	2175	1410	1650	4		360	745	189	$707 97

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PROCEEDINGS.

BROWN'S BAPTIST CHURCH,
Warren county, October 7th, 1886.

The Tar River Association met with the church here today in its fifty-sixth annual session.

The opening sermon was preached by Elder A. G. Willcox from Matt. 9th chapter, 35th to 38th verses inclusive.

After an hour's recess, during which time the delegates and visitors partook of a bountiful dinner prepared for them, the Association assembled, and after devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. A. Woodson, the Clerk called Association to order. The Moderator being absent on account of sickness, Bro. W. A. Dunn, of Scotland Neck, was elected Moderator *pro tem.*

Brethren J. A. Leslie and J. H. Tucker appointed reading clerks, and S. S. Alsop, E. W. Timberlake and R. B. Saulsbury, Finance Committee.

Roll of churches was called, and the brethren whose names appear below answered from their churches:

ANTIOCH—B. T. Parker.
BEAR SWAMP—W. E. Bowers, J. C. Marks and Johnnie Harper.
BROWN'S—Turner Allen, John Watson and E. W. Hicks.
CONOCONARY—C. A. Woodson.
CORINTH—E. W. Green.
CEDAR ROCK—James H. Sledge and Jesse F. Fulgium.
CYPRESS CHAPEL—W. B. Stallings.
DAWSON'S—B. F. Tillery.
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ELM GROVE—J. F. Prockter.
EPHESUS—D. H. Vester and W. W. Warren.
FREE CHAPEL—W. R. Bone, D. W. Moseley and T. A. Bone.
FISHING CREEK—W. H. Lewis and J. L. Alford.
GARDNER'S—J. H. Nicholson, G. W. Shaw and W. A. Pegram.
GREENVILLE—J. H. Tucker.
HICKORY—H. S. B. Pitt and J. M. Edwards.
HARRISS' CHAPEL—Thos. P. Harriss, Gardner Shearin and W. E. Mabry.
HAMILTON—R. B. Saulsbury and G. L. Dowell.
JOHN'S CHAPEL—G. W. Finch, J. P. Bissett and B. W. Tippett.
LITTLETON—B. R. Browning, L. W. Bagley and Jesse A. Carter.
LOUISBURG—E. W. Timberlake, S. W. Marshall and S. L. McGee.
MIDDLEBURG—J. A. Fleming, J. T. Mills and C. J. Burton.
MT. HEBRON—S. R. Pearce, E. J. Lanier and S. J Bobbitt.
MT. VERNON—G. W. Ward.
MT. ZION—Wm. Cooper, E. G. Conyers and W. T. Cooper.
MT. OLIVET—Lewis Kearney and E. Evans.

MAPLE SPRINGS—J. M. Stallings, W. S. Sledge and W. T. Wilder.
NEW BETHEL—B. F. Stainback, B. W. Clopton and R. W. Nuckles.
NEW HOPE—M. A. Adams and A. G. Rice.
PLEASANT—J. T. Hollingsworth.
PHILADELPHIA—W. B. Harper and Mark S. Griffin.
POPLAR SPRINGS—C. E. Pippin and J. A. Pippin.
PEACH TREE—G. A. Gardner, J. W. Bowden and B. B. Culpepper.
QUANKIE—Robert Branch and E. W. Hamel.
ROCK SPRING—J. J. Bobbitt, O. B. Wilder and C. H. Wheeless.
REEDY CREEK—M. T. Duke, B. R. Harriss and J. M. Ham.
REHOBETH—J. C. Beal.
RED BUD—J. H. Colvard, J. S. Harper and D. B. Pearce.
ROANOKE—W. B. Morton.
ROCKY MT—Rev. J. A. Leslie.
SAMARIA—Letter.
SHARON—D. P. Hicks and H. T. Jeffress.
SCOTLAND NECK—Noah Biggs, W. A. Dunn and C. T. Lawrence.
SOCIAL PLAINS—Henry Hagwood.
SANDY CREEK—J. J. Ward.
SHILOH—Handy Crudup and Rodger Pearson.
TOISNOT—W. D. Carter.
TURKEY BRANCH—Wm. Saunders and Wm. Hull.
TARBORO—Rev. J. A. Leslie.
WILSON—Rev. J. M. McManaway.
WARRENTON—J. R. Johnson, W. A. Montgomery and N. L. Shaw.
WARREN PLAINS—
WILLIAMSTON—Rev. G. J. Dowell.
WASHINGTON—

The letters being read, the Association went into permanent organization. The names of brethren N. L. Shaw and W. E. Bowers were put in nomination for Moderator. Brethren Leslie and McManaway appointed tellers, ballot resulting in election of Bro. W. E. Bowers as Moderator. A. G. Willcox re-elected Clerk by acclamation, and Noah Biggs, Treasurer Executive Committee.

The Moderator appointed brethren J. A. Leslie, W. B. Morton and G. J. Dowell on order of business.

Visiting brethren invited to seats, and accepted by Prof. C. E. Taylor, of Wake Forest College; N. B. Broughton, of BIBLICAL RECORDER; Rev. T. G. Wood, of Murfreesboro.

Bro. T. J. Taylor offered resolution on time of meeting:

Meet each day at $9\frac{1}{2}$ A. M.; spend half hour in devotional exercises; adjourn at $12\frac{1}{2}$; re-assemble at $1\frac{1}{2}$, and adjourn at pleasure. Passed.

Adjourned, prayer by Bro. Dowell.

FRIDAY, 10 o'clock A. M.

Association met and half-hour spent in devotional exercises. Committee on order of business made their report, which was adopted:

Meet at 9½ o'clock. From 9:30 to 10 A. M., Devotional exercises and Miscellaneous business; 10 to 11:30, Associational Missions; 11:30 to 12:30, Ministerial Education; 1:30 to 2:30, State Missions; 2:30 to adjournment, Orphanage.

SATURDAY—9:30 to 10 A. M., Devotional exercises and Miscellaneous business; 10 to 11:30, Foreign Missions, followed by Home Missions; 11:30 to 12:30, Periodicals; 1:30 to 2, Sunday Schools; 2 to adjournment, Obituaries and Miscellaneous.

The following new churches made application by letter and delegate for admission:

Pactolus, Sharpsburg, Nashville and Mt. Lebanon.

Covenant, articles of faith, &c., referred to a committee consisting of brethren Baylus Cade, G. M. Duke and M. J. Willoughby, who after having examined said articles, made their report, as follows:

We, the committee on reception of new churches, beg leave to make the following report, having examined the articles of faith of the following churches, viz.: Pactolus, Nashville, Sharpsburg and Mt. Lebanon, find them orthodox and recommend their reception.

BAYLUS CADE,
G. M. DUKE,
M. J. WILLOUGHBY.

Delegates names enrolled and right hand of fellowship given by Moderator.

Letters not read on yesterday called for and read.

Brethren J. H. Tucker and W. A. Montgomery appointed to write on Sunday schools; Prof. C. E. Taylor, on Education; on time and place of next meeting—Noah Biggs, J. C. Marks and Dallas Carter; on stated sermons—N. L. Shaw, L. W. Bagley and T. R. Bowers.

Hour for special order having arrived, Bro. J. M. McManaway read following

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the current year fourteen missionaries have been employed on the field for a part or all their time, who have occupied twenty stations, preaching as nearly as could be ascertained seven hundred and seventy sermons, besides prayer-meeting and Sunday school talks and addresses, and under whose ministry there have been about one hundred and sixty-five additions to the churches by baptism and letter, there being others who are to be received or who have gone to other denominations. Several new houses of worship are in process of construction, lots have been received for others, and several new churches organized.

This has been a year of labor more abundantly blessed of the Lord than any

since the beginning of this wonderful work—a work which has embraced during the last eight years the building of some twenty-five new houses of worship, at an estimated cost of some twenty thousand dollars, and the expenditure of about an equal sum in the support of missionaries. A very large number of the active and efficient churches of the Association have been organized and fostered by this Associational Board, and we are just beginning to reap where in sacrifice and tears we have been sowing. Shall the sowing cease or shall we pause in the very midst of the harvest.

Respectfully submitted, J. M. McMANAWAY.

After which said Bro. McManaway and Bro. J. D. Hufham made thrilling speeches, telling of the grand results in the last eight years under the blessing of God upon this work. The roll of churches being called, the amount below pledged for the next year:

Scotland Neck	$200	Quankie	$ 25	Mt. Olivet	$ 10
Bear Swamp	100	Rocky Mt	25	New Bethel	10
Wilson	100	Sharon	25	New Hope	10
Louisburg	100	Williamston	25	Pleasant Grove	10
Brown's	75	Ephesus	20	Red Bud	10
Reedy Creek	50	Fishing Creek	20	Samaria	10
R. E. Peel's field	50	Philadelphia	20	Shiloh	10
Warrenton	50	Dawson's	15	Toisnot	10
Tarboro	50	Hickory	15	Cypress Chapel	5
Greenville	40	Harriss' Chapel	15	Elm Grove	5
Littleton	40	Poplar Springs	15	Free Chapel	5
Conoconary	30	Rock Spring	15	John's Chapel	5
Gardner's	30	Roanoke	15	Mt. Hebron	5
Hamilton	30	Turkey Branch	15	Pactolus	5
Cedar Rock	25	Warren Plains	15	Social Plains	5
Mt. Zion	25	Enfield	10		
Peach Tree	25	Middleburg	10		$1,460
Rehobeth	25				

The report on Associational Missions was then adopted. Bro. Noah Biggs then submitted his report as Treasurer of the Executive Committee, which was adopted:

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

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" " "	A. G. Willcox for services at Turkey Branch	75 00
" " "	R. E. Peele for services in Beaufort county	300 00
" " "	Thomas Carrick for services at Pactolus	60 00
" " "	M. J. Willoughby for services at Nashville	75 00
" " "	C. L. Dowell for services in lower end Halifax co.	200 00
" " "	George J. Dowell for services in Martin county	200 00
" " "	C. A. Woodson for services at Tillery's	100 00
" " "	M. V. McDuffie for services near Littleton	60 00
" " "	M. R. Pernell for services rendered	50 00
" " "	G. M. Duke for services at Battleboro	50 00
" " "	J. L. Sledge for services rendered	50 00
" " "	G. W. Coppedge for services rendered	75 00
" " "	J. W. Lynch for services at Middleburg	50 00
		$1,495 00

	CRS.	
By cash on hand, October 10th, 1885		$ 70 76
" of Warrenton church		5 00
" of Poplar Spring church, 1884		15 00
" of Rehobeth church		5 00
" from Finance Committee		1,392 19
" from Reedy Creek church		12 00
		$1,499 95
By cash on hand		$ 4 95
To cash paid Elder C. L. Dowell, expense to Hyde and Beaufort counties	$20 00	
	4 95	
To balance due Treasurer this day	$15 05	

Bro. Walter Allen was appointed to audit Bro. Biggs' accounts, who reported as follows:

I have examined the accounts of Noah Biggs, Treasurer, and find the same to be correct.

WALTER ALLEN, *Auditor.*

The report on Education was read by President Chas. E. Taylor, of Wake Forest College, as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The general level of education in North Carolina is steadily and rapidly rising. It is gratifying to know that the Baptists of the State are taking more interest in this important matter than ever before. We now have many efficient schools and academies under Baptist control. The colleges for young ladies at Murfreesboro, Oxford, Shelby and Thomasville are in flourishing condition, and doing excellent work.

Wake Forest College now has 179 students—thirty more than ever before at the same stage of the session. Within the last few months three vigorous and scholarly professors have been added to the faculty. This institution is the property of the Baptists of North Carolina, and if they shall will it to be so, it is capable of being developed into one of the most important and useful in the world.

The Board of Education has no organic connection with the college, but it is located there only for convenience. As a committee of the Convention, it is now aiding thirty-one young ministers. One of these is from the Tar River Association. Another is anxious to be received. Ought not the Association to assume the support of these two men?

Remarks were made by Drs. Taylor, Hufham, Revs. Baylus Cade, M. R. Pernell and Bro. N. B. Broughton.

Pending the consideration of the report, Association adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association being called to order, the discussion of the report on Education was resumed.

Elders Hufham and J. A. Leslie made brief remarks, a cash collection of $9.47 was made, and the following pledges were taken for Ministerial Education to be applied to support of brethren Willis Cullom, M. A. Adams and L. H. Joyner:

Warrenton	$ 30 00	Harris' Chapel	$ 5 00	Samaria	$ 2 50
Scotland Neck	25 00	Hamilton	5 00	Middleburg	2 00
Louisburg, Cade and Timberlake	25 00	Littleton (B.R.B)	5 00	Maple Springs	2 00
Greenville	15 00	Mt. Zion	5 00	L. W. Bagley	2 50
Bear Swamp	10 00	N. Hope (A.M.A.)	5 00	Rev. R.E. Peele,	15 00
Tarbero	10 00	Philadelphia	5 00	E. J. Lanier	2 00
Gardner's	10 00	Poplar Springs	5 00	Rev. M.R. Pernell	1 00
Sharon	10 00	Rev. J.W. Sledge	5 00	J.T. Hollingsworth	2 00
Reedy Creek	10 00	Quankie	5 00	W.D. Carter (pd)	3 00
Roanoke	7 50	Rehobeth	5 00	G. L. Finch	2 50
Conoconary	5 00	Rocky Mount	5 00	Rev. A.G. Wilcox	5 00
Corinth	5 00	Turkey Branch,	5 00	Walter Allen	5 00
Dawson's	5 00	Cypress Chapel,	2 50		$284 80
Fishing Creek	5 00	Mount Olive	2 50		
		New Bethel	2 50		

After which the report was adopted.

By invitation, Rev. T. G. Wood, in behalf of Chowan Female Institute, and Rev. C. A. Jenkens, for Oxford Female Seminary, addressed the body.

Prof. F. P. Hobgood and Bro. T. H. Street, of the Flat River Association, were recognized and welcomed.

The committee on Time and Place of next session reported, recommending Bear Swamp church as the place, and Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1887, as the time.

On motion of Rev. B. Cade, Samaria church was substituted for Bear Swamp.

Committee on Stated Sermons reported as follows:

Rev. Baylus Cade, Introductory; alternate, Rev. G. J. Dowell; Denominational, Rev. J. M. McManaway; Rev. C. A. Woodson, alternate; Missionary, Rev. R. E. Peele; alternate, Rev. Thomas Carrick.

By suggestion the subject of Periodicals was taken up, and remarks were made by brethren N. B. Broughton, N. L. Shaw, J. H. Mills, Revs. W. B. Morton and J. W. Sledge.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

As the world advances in civilization, and as Christianity permeates the leaven of humanity, the press, both secular and religous, becomes more potent. Christians should never forget, however, that the secular press is often more or less hostile to the religion of Christ. Some of the leading weekly and daily papers of America have acquired a cheap, yet dangerous popularity, by fre-

quent direct or indirect thrusts at Christianity. It devolves upon the disciples of the Master, then, to exercise a wise and thoughtful censorship over the secular papers that he patronizes. Some of the most popular New York papers often contain unhealthy, and at times immoral literature. It is one of the most encouraging evidences, however, of the hold that Christianity has upon the masses of our country to notice that American Christians are now sustaining quite a number of first-class religious papers. To the credit of the Baptists of North Carolina it may be said, that they are now sustaining as never before their own State organ, the BIBLICAL RECORDER. But there is "room for improvement" in the manner in which we are sustaining our denominational organ. When a North Carolina Baptist is not able, or *thinks* he is not able, to patronize two or more religious papers, he ought always to give the preference to his State paper. A wise and judicious man edits the RECORDER; the present management is all that could be asked. What the RECORDER now needs to make it the peer of any religious paper, is the hearty support and *general* patronage of the Baptists of North Carolina. Your committee would recommend therefore that all the pastors of this Association lay the claims of the RECORDER before their churches at some time during the month of December, 1886, and receive subscriptions for the same from their members. Our people would do well also to patronize the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published at Richmond, Va. To our Sunday Schools we recommend the publications of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and the Sunday School literature of the American Baptist Publication Society of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted, C. A. WOODSON.

The report on the Baptist Orphanage was made special order for to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Adjourned with prayer by Dr. Charles E. Taylor.

SATURDAY, 9½ O'CLOCK A. M.

Association met pursuant to adjournment.

After the usual devotional exercises, minutes of yesterday read and corrected. Executive Committee for the next year appointed: C. M. Cooke, John Watson, J. W. Allen, R. B. Saulsbury, N. Biggs and W. A. Dunn.

Special order, Baptist Orphanage, was the next thing to claim attention of the Association, when Bro. J. H. Mills gave a detailed account of the work done, number of orphans at Orphanage, &c., &c., when Bro. Hufham followed in his peculiarly happy way, after which the amounts below secured in pledges and hat collection:

Dr. R. D. Fleming	$10 00		
W. E. Bowers	10 00	paid.	
B. R. Browning	10 00		
J. M. McManaway	10 00		
Charles Lawrence	10 00	paid.	
T. R. Bowers	10 00	"	
E. W. Timberlake	10 00	"	
John Watson	20 00	"	
B. P. Davis	10 00	"	
Little Eva Allen	5 00	"	
Hattie Rodwell	$ 1 15	paid.	
N. Biggs	5 00	"	
R. B. Saulsbury	5 00	"	
B. F. Tillery	5 00	"	
W. D. Carter	5 00	"	
J. A. Fleming	5 00	"	
Mrs. T. R. Bowers	1 00	"	
Max Dickens	1 00	"	
Hat collection	16 46		

On motion of Bro. Hufham, the pastors present agreed to take one collection in each of their churches for the Orphanage.

Report on State Missions read by the Committee. Owing to the lack of time, it was moved by Bro. J. M. McManaway that the reports on Home and Foreign Missions be read, and a general discussion on the subject of Missions be had. Carried. And reports read and discussed by brethren Hufham, Cade, McManaway and Woodson. Reports adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The Board has in its employ seventy-two missionaries, laboring in different parts of the State. Three of the pastors in our own Association are aided by the Board.

The result of the year's work will be larger than ever before in the history of the Board. While this has been a year of large results, it has also been a year of large expenditure of money, and owing to the stringency of the times in money matters, the Board is financially embarrassed. It is recommended by your committee that the pastors bring the claims of the Board before their churches, and larger contributions be made to this Board before the meeting of the Convention on November 17th. Also, that a collection be made at this meeting to assist in relieving the immediate necessities of the Board.

J. A. LESLIE.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

There is no work in which we are engaged of more importance than the Foreign Mission work. The millions who are dying in their sins must have the gospel, or they will be forever lost. This condition of things makes it necessary that the force of workers be increased, and that our contributions be largely augmented. The churches should be urged to take regular contributions for this work, so that next year there will be larger contributions reported, and the proportion between our contributions to this and other objects to which we contribute will be more equal than now.

T. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board received last year about $86,000. It expended in church building $25,000 ; in mission work $69,500 ; a total of $94,500 ; an excess above its receipts of $8,500.

WHAT WAS DONE.—It supported 255 missionaries, who preached in 649 places, more than 27,000 sermons, to about 100,000 people ; they baptized 3,812 believers ; received by letter 2,344 others, making addition of 6,156 persons ; they had 326 Sunday Schools, in which were 12,500 teachers and pupils; they constituted 70 new churches, and built 49 houses of worship. For the present year the Board must have funds to support an equal number of missionaries and build an equal number of houses of worship, and $8,500 to meet the deficiency of last year.

For its new work it needs for Cuban missions $5,000, and for work among the colored people $5,000 more. Will you help us to secure these amounts ?

Moved by J. M. McManaway that the names of those appointed last year to attend to the collection for Home Missions in their respective churches be included in the minutes

for this year, and the amounts that each church is requested to give this object. Motion prevailed.

Antioch, B. T. Parker	$ 1
Bear Swamp, W. P. Sledge	5
Brown's, John W. Allen	5
Conoconary, E. C. Pitman	2
Corinth, Mrs. Dr. Judd	2
Cedar Rock, J. A. Coppedge	2
Dawson's, Wm. Applewhite	1
Elm Grove, W. S. Batchelor	1
Enfield, F. J. Dennis	1
Fishing Creek, Thad. Gaskins	1
Gardner's, J. R. Rodwell	5
Greenville, C. J. Hunter	10
Hickory, B. F. Drake	1
Harriss' Chapel, J. E. Laughter	1
Hamilton, J. A. Whitley	1
John's Chapel, G. W. Finch	1
Louisburg, Miss Mollie Wilder	10
Littleton, Howard Browning	8
Middleburg, C. J. Burton	1
Mt. Hebron, E. J. Lanier	1
Mt. Vernon, Jesse Reid	1
Mt. Zion, George Cooper	5
Mt. Olivet, F. Tharington	1
Maple Spring, Miss Mary Webb	5
New Bethel, B. F. Stanback	2
New Hope, M. A. Adams	$ 1
Pleasant Grove, J. W. Hinton	1
Philadelphia, George Duke	1
Poplar Sp'gs, Dr. H. F. Freeman,	3
Peach Tree, G. A. Gardner	2
Quankie, Bob Branch	2
Rock Spring, W. D. Harriss	5
Reedy Creek, W. T. Robertson	1
Rehoboth, W. B. Harper	2
Red Bud, J. S. Harper	2
Roanoke, W. E. Daniel	5
Rocky Mt, J. J. Coley	3
Samaria, Thomas Westry	1
Sharon, L. C. Perkinson	2
Scotl'd Neck, Dr. R. M. Johnson,	10
Sandy Creek, J. H. Gupton	1
Shiloh, Handy Crudup	3
Toisnot, W. D. Carter	3
Turkey Branch, G. T. Saunders	2
Tarboro, J. A. Leslie	10
Wilson, A. N. Daniel	10
Warrenton, N. L. Shaw	10
Warren Plains, W. D. Wilder	2
Williamston, G. W. Dowell	1

It is not the spirit of the motion to regard the above amounts as pledges or as binding upon the churches, but it is the earnest desire the brethren whose names appear above will make an honest effort to raise the amounts annexed, and as much more as they can for this grand and important work.

This resolution was offered by Rev. J. D. Hufham:

WHEREAS, Our beloved brother C. M. Cooke for many years a punctual attendant on the regular sessions of this body, and an active sharer in all its burdens and labors, is kept away from the present session by severe and painful illness: therefore,

Resolved, That we sincerely and tenderly sympathize with him in his sufferings, and pray for his speedy and complete recovery.

Heartily and unanimously carried. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Bro. Morton. The Chair announced the following standing committees:

To write on Sunday Schools—J. A. Coppedge, Adrien Daniel.
" " Obituaries—J. D. Hufham, A. G. Willcox.
" " Orphanage—N. Biggs, R. D. Fleming.
" " Associational Missions—C. M. Cooke, J. D. Hufham.
" " State Missions—J. M. McManaway, J. W. Sledge.
" " Foreign Missions—J. H. Tucker, G. W. Coppedge.
" " Home and Indian Missions—J. A. Leslie, R. D. Harper.
" " Education—G. M. Duke, M. R. Pernell.
" " Periodicals—M. J. Willoughby.

Moved by Bro. Hufham that the Clerk be instructed to have printed the usual number of minutes, and receive the usual compensation for his services, which was carried.

Bro. Hufham offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, This body, now numbering about sixty churches and nearly six thousand church members, has had a very rapid growth for the last eight years; AND WHEREAS, the same rate of growth will soon make the body too large to be entertained by any but a few of the largest churches, too large also for efficient and harmonious action; AND WHEREAS, the territorial limits of the body are very extensive, rendering it inconvenient and expensive for many of the delegates to attend the services; AND WHEREAS, the minds of some brethren have been turned to consider the expediency of organizing a new Association to be composed of churches now belonging to this body: therefore,

Resolved, That the clerk be instructed to issue letters of dismission to such churches as may apply for them before the meeting of this body in its next session.

Motion prevailed.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer*.

Oct. 11, 1885.	To balance due Association at last session	$ 30 10
	Received from Finance Committee for Foreign Mis'ns,	12 85
	" " " " " State Missions,	2 00
	" " " " " Home and Indian Missions,	12 00
	" " " " " Education	60 50
	" " " " " Bap. Orphanage,	3 00
	" " " " " Minute Fund	73 29
	Sunday collection	11 57
	Cash Associational Missions	7 50
	Peach Tree for minutes	1 45
		$214 26

CONTRA.

Paid to F. H. Briggs for Foreign Missions	$ 12 85
" " " State Missions	2 00
" " " Home and Indian Missions	12 00
" " " Education	60 50
Paid to J. H. Mills for Orphanage	3 00
" Edwards, Broughton & Co. for Minutes (1,500 copies)	45 00
Amount carried forward	$135 35

Amount brought forward	$135	35
Sunday collection—Foreign Missions	11	57
Clerk's fee	25	00
Stationery, mailing, manuscript, &c., &c.		75
Paid N. Biggs for Associational Missions	7	50
	$180	17
Cash in hand due Association	34	09
		$214 26

Respectfully submitted, A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

The Treasurer's report was referred to Bro. T. R. Bowers to audit, who reported as follows :

As your Committee to examine the account of A. G. Willcox, Treasurer, I would state I have discharged that duty and find same to be correct.

T. R. BOWERS.

Report adopted.

This resolution was offered by Bro. Cade, which was carried :

WHEREAS, it is important that the Boards having in charge the different enterprises of the denomination be furnished annually with definite data upon which to have their undertakings and calculations ; AND WHEREAS, it is important to enlist the churches in all our work : therefore,

Resolved, That the churches of this Association be requested to report in their letters each year hereafter the amounts they are willing to pledge and pay for the following objects of the Association, viz.: Education, Orphanage, Associational Missions, State Missions, Home Missions and Foreign Missions.

Report on Obituaries was read by Bro. J. M. McManaway for Chairman. Bro. Hufham spoke at some length upon the merits of our deceased Bro. Wester, the oldest member of our Association:

BRO. DANIEL WESTER, the subject of this sketch, was born in Franklin county, N. C., August 30th, 1808, and died July 20th, 1886, being 78 years old. He was raised on the farm, and a few months was all the school advantages he ever had, and yet, by untiring industry and close observation he became well informed on all useful subjects—so much so that his views were respected and his advice usually followed when sought. When grown he was a blacksmith by trade. This he followed until his death. He was twice married. He leaves a widow and five children to mourn his loss. He was a good husband, father and neighbor. It was ever his pleasure to settle difficulties, in which he was remarkably successful, the blessings of the peace maker being his. He was a good citizen, an honest, truthful, noble man. He will be sadly missed in all the relations of life that he sustained so nobly.

At an early age Bro. WESTER professed religion, and joined the church at Sandy Creek, and was baptized by Bro. World in 1830. He afterwards united with the church at Maple Springs ; was licensed in 1836 ; was ordained in 1878 at Maple Springs, the Presbytery being Elders C. A. Jenkens and G. M. Duke. Elder Duke preached the ordination sermon. Bro. WESTER preached at Tanner's, in Warren county ; was pastor of Peach Tree, Philadelphia and Pleasant Grove churches, and was a faithful pastor to them all. He was well versed in Scripture, making the Bible his one book. He had clear views of the plan of salvation, and was a strong Calvinist, and yet he firmly believed and taught Christian works. He made many excellent, practical and effective

speeches at his churches, the Association and in the Lodge. As a preacher he was not an orator. His sermons were plain and practical, experimental. He was not a revivalist, yet he was instrumental in doing much good, and the fruits of his labors remain as monuments to his memory. As a Christian he was deeply pious. He was full of life and fond of a joke, yet he was a truly pious man, gentle, humble, patient, modest, and obedient to his Saviour's command. He has been with the Tar River Association from its origin, and knew more of it than any other man in it. At his death he was a committee on obituaries. He was universally beloved and respected. At his funeral there were 2,000 people present. His funeral was preached by Elder Duke, aided by Elder Pitchford, on the first Sunday in October, 1886. His name was a household word. His sayings will be long remembered by many. He was regarded a spiritual father. He was a bright Mason, faithful until death to his vows. He had his faults—felt himself to be a sinner. He trusted the blood of Jesus only for salvation.

A good man has passed away, fought a good fight, kept the faith, finished his course—henceforward there is laid up for him the crown of glory. Sleep on, brother, in the quiet home, till the Saviour bid thee arise.

Finance Committee's report, as follows:

Received for Foreign Missions	$ 15 45
" " State Missions	30 39
" " Associational Missions	1,505 75
" " Home and Indian Missions	14 00
" " Education	131 24
" " Minute fund	77 90
" " Orphanage	3 00
Total	$1,777 73

S. S. ALSOP,
R. B. SAULSBURY,
E. W. TIMBERLAKE,
Committee.

Resolution by Bro. Biggs:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and are hereby heartily tendered to the members of this church and community for their large and cheerful hospitality during the present session.

Carried.

Bro. Taylor, the pastor, spoke of Bro. Whitted, the pastor of the Colored Baptist church in Warrenton, and of the work in which he was engaged, commended him and his work to the Association. Bro. Whitted, by request, came forward and addressed the Association, telling of the work in which he was engaged and received in cash $13.86 for his work.

The Association adjourned to meet with the church at Samaria, Nash county, Tuesday after first Sunday in October, 1887. Prayer by Bro. Cade.

W. E. BOWERS,
Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX,
Clerk and Treasurer.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2nd. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fello wship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3rd. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to enquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthordox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in counsel.

14th. This Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Education.	Minute Fund	Orphanage.	Total.
Antioch			$ 100 00			$ 50		$ 10 50
Bear Swamp	1 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	109 00
Brown's			75 00		7 10	3 00		85 10
Conoconary			30 00			1 25		31 25
Corinth	70		14 00			1 25		15 95
Cedar Rock	2 00	1 00	25 00		2 00	1 50		31 50
Cypress Chapel				5 00		70		5 70
Dawson's			25 00			1 50		26 50
Elm Grove						1 51		1 51
Enfield			10 60					10 60
Enterprise						75		75
Ephesus			25 00		5 25	1 25		31 50
Fishing Creek			25 00		5 00	1 25		31 25
Free Chapel			5 00			50		5 50
Gardner's		9 89	30 00		4 17	2 00		46 06
Greenville			50 00			2 00		52 00
Hamilton			30 00			1 50		31 50
Harris' Chapel			15 00		5 00	1 00		21 00
Hickory						1 50		1 50
John's Church			5 00			50		5 50
Louisburg	7 75	10 00	100 00	8 00		2 00		127 75
Littleton			40 00			1 00		41 00
Mt. Lebanon						50		50
Mt. Vernon			10 00			1 00		11 00
Mt. Olivet		3 50				1 50		5 00
Mt. Zion			60 00		8 00	1 50		69 50
Mt. Hebron			5 00			1 20		6 20
Middleburg		3 50				1 00		4 50
Maple Spring						2 00		2 00
New Bethel			10 00			1 50		11 50
Nashville	4 00					75		4 75
New Hope			10 00			75		10 75
Peach Tree			10 00		4 25	1 48		15 73
Philadelphia			1 45		5 00	2 40		8 85
Pleasant Grove			10 00			1 15		11 15
Pactolus			5 00			1 00		6 00
Poplar Springs						1 75		1 75
Pine Forest								
Quankie			11 50		5 00	1 50		18 00
Red Bud			3 75			1 50		5 25
Rehoboth						1 00		1 00
Reedy Creek			28 45		10 00	2 00		40 45
Rock Spring			30 00		5 00	1 50		36 50
Roanoke			11 00			1 00		12 00
Rocky Mt			25 00			1 00		26 00
Samaria			5 00			2 50		7 50

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S TABLE.—(CONTINUED.)

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Education.	Minute Fund.	Orphanage.	Total.
Social Plain	$	$	$ 5 00	$	$	$ 1 00	$	$ 6 00
Sandy Creek						1 50		1 50
Sharon			20 00			1 50	1 00	22 50
Scotland Neck			200 00			2 00		202 00
Shiloh						3 00		3 00
Sharpsburg						50		50
Tarboro			50 00		15 00	1 00		66 00
Toisnot		1 50	5 00			1 00		7 50
Turkey Branch			20 00		5 00	1 06		26 06
Warrenton			50 00			2 00		52 00
Warren Plains								
Wilson			100 00		20 00	2 65		122 65
Williamston			15 00			75		15 75
John Watson			25 00					25 00
W. E. Bowers			35 00		8 00			43 00
Lucy G. Freeman			5 00					5 00
Walter Robinson			5 00					5 00
J. T. Webb			25 00					25 00
G. W. Ward			5 00					5 00
J. H. Valentine			3 00					3 00
J. M. Neal			5 00					5 00
J. E. Laughter			5 00					5 00
J. W. Hunter			5 00					5 00
Cooley Boddin			2 00					2 00
J. W. Sledge			5 00					5 00
G. M. Duke			35 00					35 00
J. J. Ward			2 50					2 50
M. R. Pernell			5 00					5 00
R. D. Harper			5 00					5 00
J. W. Duke			5 00					5 00
H. Browning			2 50					2 50
O. C. Stallings			5 00					5 00
Thad. Vaughn			5 00					5 00
Hat collection					9 47			9 47
	$15 45	$30 39	$1505 75	$14 00	$131 24	$77 90	$ 3 00	$1771 73

Statistical Table.

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	CLERKS AND P. O. ADDRESS	Baptisms.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dism'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	Total Membership.
Antioch	Halifax	J. J. Partin, Whitaker's, N. C.,	....	2	...	5	...	...	69
Bear Swamp	Halifax	Henry Connell, Brinkleyville...	25	1	1	.....	2	...	109
Brown's	Warren	Howard Allen, Brookston	7	1	...	3	2	...	111
Cedar Rock	Franklin	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock,	18	2	1	2	2	1	111
Cypress Chapel,	Franklin	W. B. Stalling, Mapleville	13	1	...	6	...	...	63
Corinth	Franklin	E. W. Green, Henderson	....	1	1	19	1	...	115
Conoconary	Halifax	E. C. Pittman, Crowell's	3	1	3	4	3	...	152
Dawson's	Halifax	J. H. Branch, Dawson's	10	3	...	7	...	...	95
Elm Grove	Nash	J. Y. Rockley, Nashville	7	.....	2	6	5	1	125
Ephesus	Nash	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	2	4	...	2	2	...	69
Enfield	Halifax	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	....	.....	...	4	1	...	32
Fishing Creek	Nash	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood	8	3	...	.....	2	...	57
Free Chapel	Nash	T. A. Bone, Nashville	....	.....	...	5	1	1	41
Greenville	Pitt	D. J. Whichard, Greenville	12	4	...	.....	3	1	100
Gardner's	Warren	J. W. Shearin, Macon	3	.....	...	6	5	1	119
Hickory	Nash	W. H. Sexton, Gold Rock	1	3	...	7	...	...	48
Hamilton	Martin	R. B. Salisbury, Hamilton	13	6	...	.....	...	...	63
Harris' Chapel,	Halifax	B. Y. Harris, Arcola	9	....	1	.....	1	...	69
John's Chapel	.....	B. W. Tippett, Wilson	4	3	...	4	1	1	37
Littleton	Halifax	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton	....	1	...	3	1	...	58
Louisburg	Franklin	J. S. Barrow, Louisburg	10	2	3	4	...	1	101
Middleburg	Vance	C. J. Burton, Middleburg	3	2	..	2	...	...	42
Maple Springs	Franklin	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	....	10	...	4	3	2	110
Mt. Olivet	Franklin	F. Tharington, Franklinton	33	1	...	1	2	...	77
Mt. Vernon	Nash	Thos. D. Wright, Battleboro	....	.....	...	.....	..	...	10
Mt. Hebron	Franklin	E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge	20	2	...	.....	..	...	88
Mt. Zion	Franklin	A. P. Joyner, Laurel	9	4	3	.....	1	4	112
Mt. Lebanon	.....	T. R. Batchelor, ———,	13	.....	...	.....	..	...	16
Nashville	Nash	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	2	5	...	2	...	...	14
New Hope	Wilson	I. J. Farmer, Wilson	....	.....	...	.....	1	...	66
New Bethel	Vance	R. H. Duke, Henderson	27	1	2	3	...	1	145
Poplar Spring	Franklin	John Griffin, Sutton	29	3	3	13	4	1	239
Peach Tree	Nash	J. H. Edwards, Castalia	13	3	3	3	1	1	225
Philadelphia	Nash	S. A. Ward, Hilliardston	27	7	4	1	...	...	137
Pleasant Grove,	Nash	Z. R. Hinton, Nashville	8	.....	2	1	2	4	82
Pactolus	Pitt	R. M. Spier, Pactolus	8	.....	...	.....	...	...	14
Quankie	Halifax	W. R. Cullen, Weldon	7	4	...	.....	...	2	98
Rehoboth	Nash	G. T. Coley, Nashville	....	.....	...	.....	...	...	86
Red Bud	Franklin	Samuel Harper, Castalia	....	.....	...	8	3	1	156
Reedy Creek	Warren	B. P. Davis, Creek	5	.....	6	.....	2	1	167
Rock Spring	Franklin	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	4	3	6	2	18	1	114
Mocky Mount	Nash	H. D. Avera, Rocky Mount	18	6	...	3	...	1	51
Sharpsburg	Nash	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg	4	4	...	.....	...	...	8
Shiloh	Vance	Handy Crudup, Kittrell	26	.....	5	2	11	3	612
Sandy Creek	Franklin	N. Davis, Cedar Rock	12	1	1	2	5	...	180
Samaria	Nash	D. S. Cone, Stanhope	23	8	3	2	3	2	211
Sharon	Warren	P.R.Perkinson, Warren Plains,	14	.....	...	7	...	2	108
Social Plains	Franklin	John T. Alford, Wakefield	17	6	1	1	...	...	49
Scotland Neck,	Halifax	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck,	22	2	2	5	...	2	160
Toisnot	.....	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	17	2	...	.....	2	...	40
Tarboro	Edgecombe	E. O. Moore, Tarboro	14	3	1	3	...	1	45
Turkey Branch,	Halifax	A. G. Johnson, Ringwood	11	2	...	.....	1	1	57
Weldon	Halifax	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	....	4	...	.....	...	...	47
Williamston	Martin	D. Worthington, Williamston	7	4	...	.....	...	...	36
Warrenton	Warren	E. J. Allen, Warrenton	4	12	1	8	1	2	81
Wilson	Wilson	Vernon F. Moss, Wilson	25	7	...	9	...	...	151
Washington	.....	.....	....	...	...	.....	...	...	.....
Warren Plains,	.....	.....	....	.....	...	.....	...	...	.....
			567	144	55	169	92	39	5578

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Church Expsnses.	Minute Fund.	Sunday Schools.	Other Objects.	Baptist Orphanage.	Parsonage.	Total for all objects.
Antioch	$ 50 00	$	$	$	$ 10 00	$	$	50	$	$	$	$	$ 60 50
Bear Swamp		1 00	1 00	1 00	100 00	2 00		$ 2 00			2 00		109 00
Brown's	150 00		24 10		75 00	7 00	34 00	3 00		20 00			313 10
Cedar Rock	100 00	2 00	1 00	5 00	25 00	2 00		1 50	35 00				171 50
Cypress Chapel				5 00	8 00			70					5 70
Corinth	200 00	70			14 00			1 25					215 95
Conoconary	200 00	1 76	5 15		30 00	2 50	50	1 25		57 50			298 66
Dawson's	150 00				25 00		25 00	1 50					201 50
Elm Grove	75 00							1 50					76 50
Ephesus	75 00				25 00	5 25	10 00	1 25					116 50
Enfield	100 00				10 60								110 60
Fishing Creek	125 00		3 00	1 50	25 00	5 00	10 65	1 25		3 90			175 30
Free Chapel	25 00				3 00			50					30 50
Greenville	500 00	5 00	10 00	11 25	50 00		51 60	2 00		264 76	56 00		950 61
Gardner's	200 00	9 25	5 59	3 75	30 00	10 00	4 00	2 00		5 90			270 49
Hickory					15 00			1 50					16 50
Hamilton	200 00	4 10	4 00		30 00		35 00	1 50		48 00		550 00	872 60
Harris' Chapel	100 00				15 00	5 00		1 00					121 00
John's Chapel					5 00			50					5 50
Littleton	175 00				40 00		15 00	1 00			84 00		315 00
Louisburg	600 00	7 75	10 00	8 00	100 00		50 00	2 00		9 00			786 75
Middleburg	75 00		3 50				73 90	1 00					153 40
Maple Spring	100 00						200 00	2 00					302 00
Mt. Olivet			3 50					1 50					5 00
Mt. Vernon	25 00				10 00		6 00	1 00					42 00
Mt. Hebron	75 00				5 00		200 00	1 20					281 20

Mt. Zion	150 00	5 00			50 00	8 00		1 50					214 50
Mt. Lebanon								50					50
Nashville		4 00					464 00	75					468 75
New Hope	50 00				10 00			75					60 75
New Bethel	100 00				10 00		111 50	1 50		5 00			228 50
Poplar Spring	150 00				15 00		25 00	1 75					191 75
Peach Tree	150 00				10 00	4 25		1 48					65 73
Pleasant Grove	50 00	1 00			10 00			1 15					62 15
Pactolus	50 00				5 00			1 00		30 00	1 00		87 00
Philadelphia					1 45	5 00		2 40					8 85
Quankie	125 00				10 50	5 00		1 50					142 00
Rehoboth								1 00					1 00
Red Bud					3 75		60 00	1 50					65 25
Reedy Creek	100 00	3 00			28 45	10 00	75 00	2 00					218 45
Rocky Mt	150 00				25 00	5 00	40 00	1 00		326 80			547 00
Rock Spring	125 00	4 45			30 00	5 00		1 50					165 95
Sharpsburg								50					50
Sandy Creek								1 50					1 50
Shiloh	250 00							3 00					253 00
Samaria	75 00				5 00			2 50					82 50
Sharon	175 00	4 00	4 00	11 00	20 00		4 00	1 50			1 00		220 50
Social Plains					5 00		10 00	1 00					76 00
Scotland Neck	1000 00				200 00	25 00	150 00	2 00		300 00	75 00		1,752 00
Toisnot	161 00		1 50		5 00		85 00	1 00		13 00			2,657 00
Tarboro	600 00		5 00		50 00	15 00		1 00	30 00	3000 00			3,701 00
Turkey Branch	50 00				20 00	5 00	20 00	1 06					96 06
Weldon	200 00	3 25	8 60	3 25	11 00	10 00	113 70	1 00			3 15		385 85
Williamston	100 00	5 70			15 00		50 16	75			8 00	10 00	189 61
Wilson	1000 00				100 00	25 00	285 00	2 65					1,412 65
Warrenton	550 00	50 41	25 61	19 54	50 00	10 17	296 79	2 00					1,004 52
Washington													
Warren Plains													
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Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes.	Conversions.	No. months kept open.	Kind Words taken.	Baptist Teachers.	Other Papers.	Contributions.
Bear Swamp	T. R. Bowers, Brinkleyville	6	30	18							$
Brown's	James A. Tunstall, Brookston	7	55	30	40		10				
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	12	60	50	100	17	12			60	35 00
Cypress Chapel	W. H. Wilder, Hunt's	4	60	50		4	8				
Corinth	N. H. Hunt, Henderson	6	78	40	200		8			25	7 68
Conoconary	E. C. Pitman, Crowell's	8	40	25			12		6	50	25 00
Dawson's	Dr. O. C. Stallings, Dawson's	9	50	40		2	6			15	4 00
Elm Grove	D. C. Braswell, Nashville	6	54	40	64		4				
Ephesus	J. T. Webb, Nashville	7	58	35	103		6				3 00
Enfield	F. J. Dennis, Enfield	7	28	20							15 43
Fishing Creek	J. C. Sledge, Ringwood	6	30			2	8				
Greenville	D. J. Whichard, Greenville	17	107	80	500	4	12		36	176	238 02
Gardner's	Jas. R. Rodwell, Churchill	11	88	60			12			104	27 30
Hamilton	T. B. Haskett, Hamilton	13	55	45	50		12	36		15	24 92
Harriss' Chapel	W. E. Mabry, Knight's	7	16		24	1				2	2 00
John's Chapel		3	36								
Louisburg	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg	10	80	70			12		6		60 00
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	10	60	45	85		12	25	7	35	25 00
Mt. Olivet	Calvin Wilder, Franklinton	10	60	40			5		8		1 80
Mt. Hebron	S. R. Pearce, Castalia	11	118	40			6	10	8		
Mt. " No. 2	G. T. Gupton, Centerville	13	122	65			3				
Mt. Zion	G. H. Cooper, Laurel	7	53	42	70		9		5		44 60
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	7	40				12			40	15 00
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	8	30	25			12	30		12	21 00
Poplar Spring	Dr. H. Freeman, Sutton	8	156	110				10			25 00
Pactolus	J. D. Little, Pactolus	5	47	35		3				50	10 00
Rocky Mt.	Geo. L. Parker, Rocky Mt.	5	50								
Rehoboth	W. B. Harper	8	54	40			12		5	48	60 00
Rock Spring	W. D. Harriss	14	39	25			3				3 00
Red Bud	T. S. Collie, Cedar Rock	14	71	50							
New Bethel	Rev. C. Coghill, Henderson	6	60	45		16	6				
Samaria	D. W. Lowry, Stanhope	7	100	90	60	9		24			10 00
Social Plains	Henry Hagwood, Wakefield	5	75	60		9	10	2		60	
Scotland Neck	R. M. Johnson, Scotland Neck	20	150	125	550		12	150	20	250	165 00
Sharon	Jas. H. Hicks, Warren Plains	7	45	30	50	11	9			35	4 00
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Louisburg	17	185	110	250		8				
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg				15						
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	6	38	30	30		9		5	20	
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	10	60			6					
Williamston	E. C. Bardwell, Williamston	7	65	40							13 25
Wilson	G. W. Blount, Wilson	15	90	65	200		12		20	36	125 00
Warrenton	W. A. Montgomery, Warrenton	14	86	55	241	3	12		2	165	55 00
		372	2763	1770	2632	95		287	128	1196	$1019 96

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PROCEEDINGS.

SAMARIA, Nash County, N. C.,
October 4th, 1887.

The Tar River Association met with the Church here to-day in its fifty-seventh annual session. Bro. G. L. Dowell, of Hamilton, preached the introductory sermon. Text, Jeremiah 8th chapter, 22d verse.

After an intermission of an hour, Association assembled, and after devotional exercises, Moderator called Association to order. Brethren J. A. Leslie and J. H. Tucker appointed Reading Clerks, and M. T. Duke and Rev. G. W. Newell Finance Committee. Roll of Churches being called, showed the following representation by delegates and letter:

Antioch—Travis Parker.
Brown's—J. W. Smithwick, J. H. Burroughs, D. H. Revis.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, Tom Motley, G. L. Finch.
Conoconary—Rev. R. E. Peele.
Corinth—L. E. Lancaster, E. W. Green, Albert Dement.
Cedar Rock—John A. Coppedge.
Cypress Chapel—B. E. Dednam, H. W. Wilder.
Dawson's—K. H. Cutchen.
Elm Grove—E. W. Weaver, E. H. Crocker, B. W. Batchelor.
Ephesus—W. M. Warren, B. H. Vester, W. W. Batchelor.
Enfield—By Letter.
Fishing Creek—G. S. Alford, I. C. Sledge, R. L. Avent.
Free Chapel—T. A. Boone, D. W. Gardner, R. L. Whitley.
Greenville—Rev. J. W. Wildman, J. H. Tucker.
Gardner's—W. A. Shaw.
Hickory—Samuel Edwards.
Hamilton—Rev. G. W. Dowell.
Harriss' Chapel—Sam'l Hamlet, B. Y. Harris.
John's Chapel—G. W. Finch, L. P. Whitfield, N. W. Batchelor.
Littleton—Rev. M. A. Adams.
Louisburg—E. W. Timberlake, L. H. Jones, C. W. Roberts.
Middleburg—C. J. Burton.
Maple Springs—John W. Stallings, W. M. Boone.
Mount Olivet—Calvin Wilder.
Mount Vernon—G. W. Ward.
Mount Hebron—R. A. Denton, C. E. Denton, G. J. Tucker.
Mount Zion—W. T. Cooper, E. G. Conyers, Theo. Gupton.
Mount Lebanon—J. W. Batchelor, L. R. Brantley, N. L. Carpenter.
Nashville—J. L. Hinton.
New Hope—Calley Taylor, Baldy Rice.
New Bethel—B. T. Stainback, Geo. T. Dickie.
Pine Forest—By Letter.
Poplar Springs—J. H. Cheaves, G. McManaway, R. H. Griffin.
Peach Tree—B. L. Holland, S. Gay, S. C. Edwards.
Pleasant Grove—J. T. Hollingsworth, J. W. Coggin.
Pactolus—By Letter.

Philadelphia—A. C. Griffin, W. B. Harper.
Quankie—Robert Branch.
Rehobeth—G. T. Coley, E. T. Barkley.
Red Bud—T. S. Collie, Sam'l Harper.
Reedy Creek—Sam'l Lancaster, M. T. Duke.
Rocky Mount—J. C. Tillery, J. A. Tillery.
Rock Spring—B. F. Wilder, B. R. Perry, S. R. Perry.
Sharpsburg—D. L. Lancaster.
Sandy Creek—Reddin Bobbitt, B. B. Collier.
Samaria—B. T. Strickland, J. D. Ferrell, D. S. Cone.
Sharon—By Letter.
Social Plains—J. T. Alford, J. M. Brantley.
Shiloh—By Letter.
Scotland Neck—Rev. J. D. Hufham, N. Biggs.
Toisnot—Rev. J. R. Jones, W. R. Carter.
Tarboro—Rev. J. A. Leslie.
Turkey Branch—T. N. Butts, S. H. Higgs.
Weldon—Rev. W. M. Morton.
Wilson—J. G. Pennington, Rev. J. M. McManaway.
Warrenton—Rev. T. J. Taylor.
Williamston—Rev. C. L. Dowell.
Washington—Not represented.
Warren Plains—A. Edwards, G. W. Weldon.

All the letters being read, the Association went into permanent organization by re-electing former officers. Moderator appointed brethren T. J. Taylor, W. B. Morton, M. J. Willoughby, on order of business, who reported for to-morrow:

Meet at 9½ o'clock and spend half hour in devotional exercises; 10 to 10½, miscellaneous business; 10½ o'clock, Home Missions; 11½, Associational Missions.

New Churches—Enterprise, Sulphur Springs and Pactolus made application for admission into our body, and brethren J. W. Wildman, J. A. Leslie and G. M. Duke were appointed a committee to examine articles of faith, church covenant, &c.

Adjourned until to-morrow 9½ o'clock. Prayer by Bro. Morton.

WEDNESDAY, 9½ O'clock.

Association convened and spent half hour in devotional exercises, conducted by Bro. N. B. Broughton.

Committee on new churches making application for admission into this body made the following report:

Your committee appointed to consider the application for admission from Sulphur Springs, Enterprise and Bethel, beg leave to report that they have examined the articles of faith and covenants of said churches, and find them in harmony with Baptist belief, and therefore recommend that these churches be received into our fellowship.

J. W. WILDMAN, *Chairman for Committee.*

Report received, and Moderator extended the hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats among us, and accepted by Bro. N. B. Broughton, of Raleigh Association and representative of State Mission Board, and Rev. C. T. Bailey, of the BIBLICAL RECORDER.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the report on Associational Missions was read by Bro. J. D. Hufham and discussed by brethren Hufham and Cade.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the year just closed, there have been fourteen missionaries in the field. They have done faithful work and the blessing of the Lord has rested on their labors.

Elder Thomas Carrick, who has been so greatly blessed in his work at Pactolus, removed to another part of the State at the end of the second quarter. He has also been preaching at a point near Falkland. This latter is now vacant. Elder George J. Dowell has accepted the pastorate of the Mission church at Pactolus. All the indications are full of encouragement in that quarter. Brother Dowell has also labored at other places in Martin and Pitt counties. At Bethel, in the latter county, a church of fifteen members has been organized and a beautiful house of worship has been completed. The little band is heavily burdened with a debt incurred in building this house. Any help extended them towards extinguishing this debt will be a benefaction worthily bestowed and well pleasing to God. Twelve persons have been baptized.

Elder C. L. Dowell has labored in Martin and Washington counties and has baptized four persons in his field.

Elder A. T. Howell spent two of the summer months in the field lately occupied by Elder R. E. Peele. Elder Love now occupies that field permanently, having entered it on the first of September.

Elder George M. Duke has been laboring at Battleboro. All has been done that could be looked for while the little band is without a house of worship. One should be built at once. It is urgently needed. Three persons have been baptized and one received for baptism. Seven have been added by letter.

Elder A. G. Willcox has been laboring at Turkey Branch. On this promising field he has been greatly blessed of the Lord. Four persons have been baptized and the year just closing has been the most prosperous in the history of the church.

Elder J. W. Lynch has been laboring at Middleburg, has been preaching once a month. The cause has been making steady progress though there has been no great revival.

Elder J. M. McManaway has been preaching at Enterprise. Six have been baptized and the brethren are making arrangements to build a house of worship.

Elder George W. Coppedge has been preaching at John's Chapel, where twelve persons have been baptized and the cause has been greatly put forward. He has also preached at a school-house in a destitute neighborhood where four persons have been converted.

Elder R. D. Harper has been laboring at Sharpsburg, where he has baptized two persons. A good house of worship has been built.

Elder J. W. Sledge has been laboring in Warren county and the upper edge of Franklin. He has baptized fourteen persons and has organized a church of thirty members.

Elder M. J. Willoughby has been at Nashville. The house of worship, a neat and comfortable structure, has been finished. Six have been baptized and one other has been received for baptism. Since the organization of the church two years ago the membership has been more than doubled.

We are without a report from Elder M. R. Purnell; but we can make this general statement, that he has been very busy and that his labors have borne precious fruit.

Besides these missionaries laboring under the direction of the Executive Committee, some pastors have done very effective missionary work, free of charge. Elder J. A. Leslie has a very promising mission station near Rocky Mount. He has also been preaching at Mildred, on the Williamston and Tarboro railroad, where a lot has been secured and lumber is on the ground for building a house of worship.

Elder R. D. Harper has been laboring at Mount Lebanon, Wilson county, where he has baptized five persons.

At a point eight miles from Scotland Neck, the pastor has held a meeting in which eight persons were baptized.

We record these instances of volunteer missionary labor. We hope that the example will be followed and that the amount of such labor will be greatly increased from year to year.

J. D. HUFHAM, *Chairman.*

Pledges called for and taken from the following churches as follows:

Scotland Neck	$200 00
Bear Swamp	100 00
Brown's	75 00
Louisburg	75 00
Greenville	40 00
Conoconary	30 00
Williamston	30 00
Dawson's	25 00
Mt. Zion	25 00
Hamilton	25 00
Warrenton	25 00
Reedy Creek	25 00
Rehobeth	25 00
Ephesus	20 00
Gardner's	20 00
Rocky Mount	20 00
Sharon	20 00
Antioch	15 00
Fishing Creek	15 00
Harriss' Chapel	15 00
Poplar Springs	15 00
Rock Springs	15 00
Roanoke	15 00
Middleburg	12 50
Hickory	10 00
New Bethel	10 00
Pleasant Grove	10 00
Quankie	10 00
Samaria (B. T. S.)	10 00
Toisnot	10 00
Turkey Branch	10 00
Warren Plains	$ 10 00
J. H. Coppedge	10 00
G. M. Duke	10 00
M. J. Willoughby	10 00
Corinth	5 00
Cypress Chapel	5 00
Elm Grove	5 00
Free Chapel	5 00
John's Chapel	5 00
Mt. Hebron	5 00
Mt. Vernon	5 00
Peach Tree (Bro. Holland)	5 00
Red Bud	5 00
L. C. Perkinson	5 00
Social Plains	5 00
Sandy Creek	5 00
Pactolus	5 00
Bethel	5 00
Enterprise	5 00
S. N. Edwards	5 00
Sulphur Springs	4 00
Sharpsburg	2 50
G. L. Finch	2 50
Fishing Creek (W. W. R.)	2 50
J. W. Sledge	2 50
R. A. Denton	2 00
G. W. Finch	1 00
G. G. Tucker	1 00
Total,	$1,090.50

During the discussion on Associational Missions Bro. B. T. Strickland came forward and paid $20, pledged at Wilson two years ago by two sisters. Farther discussion postponed until to-morrow morning.

The Treasurer of the Executive Committee read his report, which was referred to Bro. J. H. Tucker to audit, who reported as follows:

I have examined the account of Noah Biggs, Treasurer, and find the same to be true and correct.

J. H. TUCKER, *Auditor.*

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

Cash paid Elder Thomas Carrick for services at Pactolus	$	20 00
" " J. W. Lynch for services at Middleburg		40 00
" " G. W. Duke for services at Battleboro		75 00
" " C. L. Dowell for services in Martin county		250 00
" " G. J. Dowell for services in Martin and Pitt counties		250 00
" " A. G. Willcox for services at Turkey Branch		50 00
" " R. D. Harper for services at Sharpsburg		40 00
" " G. W. Coppedge for services on his field		75 00
" " J. W. Sledge for services on his field		60 00
" " A. T. Howell for services in Beaufort county		100 00
" " M. R. Pernell for services on his field		40 00
" " J. M. McManaway for services near Littleton		60 00
" " J. M. Willoughby for services at Nashville		75 00
	$	1,135 00

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By cash from Finance Committee	$	1,500 75
" " Warren Plains		15 00
	$	1,515 75
Balance on hand	$	380 75
To cash paid J. L. Love for services rendered at Pantego		25 00
	$	355 75

Special order, Home Missions. Report on this subject read by Rev. J. A. Leslie, which was adopted:

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

The work of the Home Mission Board is divided into several departments, viz.: Work among the Chinese in California; the Indians in the Indian Territory; the colored people of the South, and of course, the destitution among the white people in the South and West.

These bare statements of the object of this work are sufficient to impress us with the overwhelming necessity to Southern Baptists and Southern civilization for the prosperity and success of this Board.

The Association pledged last year $157.00 to this work. So far as can be gleaned from the reports already in from the churches about $80.00 has been paid. Last year $69.29 was paid to this work by the Association. It is gratifying that the churches have not fallen back but advanced upon the contributions of last year.

J. A. LESLIE.

In this connection a letter was read from Rev. A. G. McManaway, requesting the churches to raise the following amounts, which was agreed to:

Antioch	$ 1	New Bethel	$ 3
Bear Swamp	5	Pleasant Grove	1
Brown's	5	Philadelphia	1
Conoconary	2	Poplar Spring	3
Corinth	2	Peach Tree	3
Dawson's	1	Quankie	2
Elm Grove	1	Rock Spring	5
Fishing Creek	1	Reedy Creek	3
Gardner's	5	Red Bud	2
Greenville	10	Roanoke	5
Hickory	1	Samaria	5
Harriss' Chapel	1	Sharon	3
Hamilton	1	Scotland Neck	5
John's Chapel	1	Toisnot	3
Louisburg		Turkey Branch	3
Middleburg	1	Wilson	10
Mount Lebanon	1	Warrenton	10
Mount Zion	5	Williamston	5
Maple Spring	5		

Adjourned for dinner. Prayer by J. W. Wildman.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met and proceeded to bussiness.

Moderator appointed the following Standing Committees:

To write on Sunday Schools—J. H. Tucker.
" " Obituaries—M. J. Willoughby.
" " State Missions—G. W. Newell.
" " Foreign Missions—J. A. Leslie.
" " Education—J. W. Wildman.
" " Associational Missions—J. D. Hufham.
" " Orphanage—R. D. Fleming.
" " Periodicals—W. B. Morton.
" " Home Missions—B. Cade.

The following brethren appointed Executive Committee for the new year—W. E. Bowers, N. Biggs, J. H. Tucker, E. W. Timberlake, G. W. Blount, K. H. Cutchen and N. L. Shaw.

Committee on Time and Place and Preachers to preach stated sermons appointed and reported, as follows:

Place, Maple Springs: time, Thursday before second Sunday in October, 1888; to preach Introductory Sermon, J. W. Wildman; alternate, C. L. Dowell; Denominational, Baylus Cade; alternate, W. B. Morton; Missionary, T. J. Taylor; alternate, J. A. Leslie.

Adopted.

Hour for special order having arrived, report on Baptist Orphanage was read by Bro. Hufham, as follows:

THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

The Orphanage seems to have been given to us of the Lord. Brethren in different parts of the State were moved to found such an institution and it was done. The same Lord who moved His people to found the Institution has also inspired them to support it thus far. During the year, which closed on the last Wednesday in July, there had been contributed by the Baptists of the State a little over $6,000 for the support of the orphan children of their deceased brethren. This was done without an agent and without any machinery for collecting money.

Three hundred acres of land, beautifully located near the town of Thomasville, and admirably adapted to the purposes for which it is designed, have been purchased, and all but $800 of the purchase money has been paid or arranged for.

The plan of buildings is that which has been found by experience to be the best. A dwelling house of one story, sufficient to accommodate twenty-five children, is in charge of an educated Christian woman, who rules the house as mother and teacher. Three of these houses have been erected, having accommodations for seventy-two children. Seventy are now there and twenty-five others desire to go as soon as the General Manager feels authorized to receive them. That so much had been done in so short a time and under a most distressing financial stringency is a matter for profound thankfulness and for great encouragement.

Many improvements are in contemplation; some of them urgently needed. A dwelling-house for the General Manager should be built as speedily as possible. The balance due on the land should be paid at the earliest possible moment. Arrangements should also be made for receiving infant orphans, and also for deformed and crippled orphans. It is also in contemplation to build a home for aged and worn-out ministers. A printing outfit is also needed for the little paper, *Charity and the Children*, published weekly as the organ of the Orphanage.

We cordially commend the enterprise to the prayers and sympathies of the brethren, and urge them to make liberal gifs for its support.

N. BIGGS, *Chairman.*

Bro. Hufham discussed the report. After which a collection was taken, which resulted as follows:

J. A. Leslie, paid	$ 2 00
R. E. Peele, (paid $1)	5 00
W. T. Motley, paid	1 00
E. W. Green, paid	1 00
Dawson's	10 00
Julius Timberlake, paid	5 00
Wm. Applewhite, paid	1 00
J. W. Sledge, paid	1 00
J. E. Timberlake, paid	1 00
John Griffin, paid	1 00
Noah Biggs, paid	5 00
J. M. Stallings, paid	1 00
W. M. Warren, paid	5 00
B. F. Wilder, paid	2 50
B. T. Strickland, paid	1 00
E. W. Timberlake	5 00
J. N. Davis, paid	25
W. E. Bowers, paid	1 00
Thos. Griffin, paid	1 00
W. T. Cooper, paid	50
W. Cooper, paid	50
J. C. Arrington, paid	50
Mrs. Arkie Timberlake, paid	1 00
J. C. Shephard, paid	$ 25
L. E. Lancaster, paid	45
C. L. Dowell, paid	1 00
S. C. Edwards, paid	1 00
Dr. T. T. Ross, paid	1 00
B. Cade, paid	1 00
J. H. Burroughs, paid	2 50
R. A. Denton, paid	25
B. T. Parker, paid	1 00
Sam. C. Harper, paid	25
W. A. James, paid	1 00
Theo. Gupton, paid	1 00
E. P. Conyers, paid	50
J. L. Winton, paid	1 00
J. T. Hollingsworth, paid	1 00
R. L. Pennell, paid	75
B. F. Stainback, paid	25
J. A. Coppedge, paid	1 00
Mrs. R. J. Freeman, paid	1 00
Fishing Creek	2 50
J. H. Tucker, paid	1 00
Total	$50 45

In addition to above, the following brethren agreed to forward to the Orphanage by first of November, shoes, as indicated in the list below. the shoes not to cost less than $1.25 per pair:

B. Cade	5 pairs.	C. J. Burton	5 pairs.
T. J. Taylor	15 "	M. J. Willoughby	5 "
C. L. Dowell	5 "	Wilson Church	5 "
W. B. Morton	5 "	Louisburg Sunday School.	5 "
J. A. Leslie	5 "	W. E. Bowers	5 "
J. L. Cottingham	5 "		
G. M. Duke	5 "	Total	70 "

The report adopted.

The following resolution, offered by Bro. Cade, was adopted:

Resolved. That the pastors of the churches of this Association be earnestly requested to meet the emergency now upon the Orphanage by taking a collection in cash and in kind for the Orphanage within the next two months.

The report on Ministerial Education read by the Chairman, as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report:

We believe this to be as important a subject to us, as a denomination, as any that will come before this body. Believing, as we do, that the living ministry is God's appointed means of saving men, it is therefore all important that they be as thoroughly trained as possible. We have made rapid progress in this direction in the last few years. Our progress and prosperity are largely due, under God, to the effective work done by our brethren trained at Wake Forest and other Colleges. We do not wish to be understood as ignoring the noble work done by men who have never been to college. Nor would we say a word to discourage any one uneducated in the schools; but we wish to insist upon every one who enters, or expects to enter, the ministry, preparing as thoroughly as possible. We have much to be thankful for, much to hope for, and some things to regret in this department of our work.

We bless God for the work done by the Board of Education in the past, in aiding needy and worthy brethren, and for the work done by these brethren. We hope for much, because there are now at College more than twenty students depending upon this Board for an education. A number of young brethren have been turned away for want of funds. We regret that there is a debt of $1,700 now upon the Board. While we are planning, praying and giving for other objects, let us not forget or neglect this.

Those whom God has called to preach the Gospel to us should be aided in every way possible. We recommend that you make an earnest, honest effort to aid in paying the indebtedness of the Educational Board. Only $169.92 were paid by us last year.

Respectfully. G. M. DUKE.

By motion of Bro. Cade, the discussion of the same was deferred until to-morrow.

Treasurer of the Association offered his report, which was

referred to the Auditor of the Association, who reported, and both reports were adopted, as follows:

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION. *In account with* A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer*.

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RECEIPTS.

To balance due Association	$ 34 07
Received of F. Com. for Foreign Missions	15 45
" " " State "	30 39
" " " Home and Indian Missions	14 00
Education	131 24
Minute fund	77 90
Received for Orphanage	3 00
Education (W. D. C.)	3 00
Orphanage (C. Lawrence)	10 00
Orphanage (J. A. Fleming)	5 00
Orphanage (Knox Dickens)	1 00
Sunday collection, State Missions	26 10
	$351 15

DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount paid F. H. Briggs for Foreign Missions	$ 15 45
" " " " " State "	30 39
" " Sunday collections	26 10
" " Home and Indian Missions	14 00
" " Education	131 24
" " Orphanage, (J. H. M.)	3 00
" " Orphanage, (Charlie L.)	10 00
" " Orphanage, (J. A. Fleming)	5 00
" " Orphanage, (Knox Dickens)	3 00
" " Education (W. D. C.)	3 00
" " Printing Minutes	45 00
" " Clerk's fee	25 00
" " Mailing Manuscript	60
" " 100 Church Letters and mailing	1 30
Balance on hand	40 07
	$351 15

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer*.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

As Auditor of your Association, I beg leave to report that I have examined the account of A. G. Wilcox, and find the same correct.

J. H. TUCKER, *Auditor*.

On motion, adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Cade.

THURSDAY MORNING, 10 o'clock.

Association met, and, after the usual devotional services, proceeded to business.

Associational Missions again claimed the attention of the

body, and the additional amounts below secured for that object:

Philadelphia	$ 20 00
Hickory	15 00
Julius Timberlake	5 00
E. W. Timberlake	15 00
Fishing Creek (W. W. R.)	2 50
Williamston	20 00
Greenville	10 00
Turkey Branch	5 00
Conoconary	10 00
G. M. Duke	15 00
J. G. Pennington	50 00
W. E. Bowers	10 00
J. D. Hufham	$ 20 00
Beaufort county field	20 00
G. L. Finch	5 00
J. H. Burroughs, paid	5 00
Alex. Coley	5 00
J. T. Hollingsworth	5 00
G. T. Coley	5 00
J. L. Hinton	5 00
A. G. Willcox	5 00
Total	$252 50

Bro. G. J. Dowell made a statement in regard to the indebtedness on the church at Bethel, and received in cash and pledges, the amounts below:

J. D. Hufham, paid	$ 5 00
J. A. Leslie	5 00
W. E. Bowers	5 00
E. W. Timberlake, paid	5 00
J. W. Wildman	5 00
R. E. Peele	10 00
R. H. Cutchin, paid	1 00
B. F. Wilder, paid	1 00
G. L. Finch, paid	1 00
J. W. Sledge, paid	1 00
E. Coggin, paid	$ 1 00
A. G. Willcox, paid	1 00
J. N. Davis, paid	25
B. R. Pary, paid	25
O. L. Stringfield, paid	1 00
W. W. Batchelor	50
M. A. Adams	1 00
Total	$44 00

On motion made and carried, brethren T. J. Taylor, G. M. Duke and W. B. Morton were appointed a committee to designate amounts from the churches, which amounts the churches were requested to give for the liquidation of the debt on the church at Bethel.

The following Report on Periodicals was read by the Chairman and, after being discussed by Rev. C. T. Bailey, adopted:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

But few words are necessary on this subject. Every intelligent man knows something of the importance of good, wholesome literature, and each one knows the baneful influence of pernicious literature. But why dwell upon this? We have the BIBLICAL RECORDER, the organ of North Carolina Baptists, without the constant reading of which no man in North Carolina can be a well informed and intelligent Baptist. As a periodical we can find no better spiritual and moral instructor; its editors are wise, experienced and intelligent christian men.

For our children, what better and more refining and morally elevating instruction can we give them than that found in *Kind Words* and other publications of the Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located at Atlanta, Georgia? Or the publications of the Baptist Publication Society of Philadelphia? These are recommended because of their acknowledged soundness and orthodoxy.

Respectfully, M. J. WILLOUGHBY.

The following resolution of sympathy, offered by Dr. McManaway, passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the hearty sympathy of this body be tendered Bro. Short Cone, a delegate from Samaria church to this Association, who was yesterday summoned home to attend a sick child, and on arrival found his child a corpse.

Report on Education again claimed the attention of the body, and the following amounts pledged:

Bear Swamp	$ 5 00	Quankie	$ 5 00
Cedar Rock	3 00	Red Bud	2 50
Corinth	5 00	Reedy Creek	10 00
Conoconary	5 00	Rocky Mount	5 00
Dawson's	5 00	Samaria	2 00
Fishing Creek	3 00	Social Plains	5 00
Greenville	10 00	Scotland Neck	25 00
Gardner's	20 00	Toisnot	2 00
Hamilton	5 00	Turkey Branch	2 50
John's Chapel	1 00	Sulphur Springs	1 00
Louisburg	10 00	Bethel	2 00
Middleburg	2 00	J. W. Sledge	2 50
New Bethel	2 50		
Pactolus	5 00	Total	$151 00
Philadelphia	5 00		

Report adopted.

The following amounts were received by Bro. J. M. McManaway, for education of Bro. M. A. Adams, viz.:

Crowells	$ 5 00	Greenville	$ 5 50
Rocky Mount	5 00	Weldon	7 50
Tarboro	6 00	Wilson	15 00
Littleton	8 40		
Scotland Neck	10 00	Total	$62 40

Amount still due $19.10, which amount the Treasurer was instructed by the Association to pay.

Report on State Missions was read by Bro. Sledge, as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The Board has in its employ 81 missionaries laboring in different parts of the State. The result of the year's work will be as large or larger than ever before in the history of the Board. As the Board is in need and we are under obligations to help meet its demands, we therefore recommend that a special collection be taken for that object. As the Lord's presence has been manifested in this grand work, we should heed His command and go forward and not backward.

J. W. SLEDGE.

After remarks by brethren Sledge and N. B. Broughton, the report was adopted and the cash collection in the house amounted to $11.75 and at the stand $6.74, total $18.49.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met. Report on Foreign Missions read by Bro. Dowell. After remarks by brethren Leslie and Hufham, the report was adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Southern Baptists have missions at various places in southern, central and northern China; in Africa, in Italy, in Mexico and Brazil. There are at present laboring in these several foreign fields 112 missionaries and native assistants. There has been steady progress all along the line; in Mexico and Brazil there has been remarkable success. One hundred have been baptized at Bahia, Brazil, during the last four years. These converts give evidence of their earnestness by contributing on an average $8 per member. Brother Powell is constantly reporting baptisms and the organization of new churches in Mexico. The speedy conquest of that land for Christ seems to be certain if we will send men to preach and give to their support.

Africa is opening up as never before to missionary work. Italy responds but slowly to evangelical work; yet every year marks some advance in the work. China, our oldest mission field, is awakening to new life. Telegraphs and railroads are being introduced and the conservatism of ages is giving away before the onward march of modern ideas. China is now open to the gospel as never before. By recent imperial proclamation, the Governors in all parts of China are not only tolerating but commending Christianity and christian missions. Truly the "morning light is breaking" over the land of night.

The Minutes of last year show that our Association gave to Foreign Missions $109.37; and this was given by only sixteen churches. Forty-two churches gave nothing. For the present year, twenty-one churches contributed $114.23. Thirty-seven gave nothing.

From this showing it is apparent that we are not doing our duty in giving the gospel to the nations of the earth. Our Savior said: "Teach *all* nations—preach to *every* creature." We therefore recommend:

First. That each pastor be requested to preach to his church one sermon during the present year on the obligations of Christians to give the gospel to the nations of the earth.

Second. We recommend the circulation of the *Foreign Mission Journal* as a paper well adapted to inform and interest the members of our churches in missions.

J. H. TUCKER.

Resolution offered by Bro. Cade passed. (See 12th Article, Rules of Decorum.)

Report on Sunday Schools read by Bro. Dowell, and, without discussion, adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We are glad to note progress in the Sunday School work, and that gradually our churches are learning the fact that a well organized and properly conducted Sabbath School is an arm of power in the training and development of the church members as well as the leading of souls to Christ. We need more missionary work from the Sunday School by the organizing of schools in neighborhoods and communities too far from the churches for proper convenience, and we invite special atten-

tion to this open door of usefulness. Some of our churches, we rejoice to say, have already begun this work, as their letters show.

The excellent literature furnished by the publishers of *Kind Words* and the American Baptist Publication Society, meets every demand. These publications are furnished by the Baptist Sunday School Supply Store at Raleigh, N. C.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. COPPEDGE.
A. DANIEL.
Committee.

Report on Obituaries read by Bro. Hufham and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Since we met in this annual gathering last year, Bro. Mark Duke has passed to his eternal rest. He was seventy-six years of age. For forty-six years he had been a follower of Jesus Christ. For twenty years he had been a deacon in the church of the living God. Through the whole of his christian life he was an intelligent, earnest and liberal advocate and supporter of all the work of this body. He was a plain farmer, diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord. He was twice married, and leaves nine children; all of them but one consistent members of the church; one of them an honored and useful pastor in this body.

We thank God for his saintly life and for his triumphant death.

J. D. HUFHAM.

Report of Finance Committee read and adopted:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

For Foreign Missions	$ 36 20	
For State Missions	38 60	
For Home and Indian Missions	20 60	
For Associational Missions	1,239 06	
For Ministerial Education	116 29	
For Minute Fund	73 46	
For Baptist Orphanage	12 50	
For Greenville Church debt	26 00	
For Bryan's House	1 00	
Cash turned over to Treasurer	$1,563 71	
By supposed error in adding the figures of tabulated report, to balance		$1,562 68
		1 03
		$1,563 71

NOTE.—The above includes private pledges on Education of Rev. J. W. Sledge, $5; Rev. G. L. Finch, $2.50; and J. T. Hollingsworth, $2.

G. W. NEWELL.
M. T. DUKE,
Committee.

Resolutions offered by Bro. Hufham:

WHEREAS, We have learned of the serious illness of our beloved Bro. James T. Webb, for several years Moderator of this body, and one of

our most liberal and effective workers in every department of christian enterprise; therefore,

Resolved, That we deeply sympathise with our brother and his family in this time of sore affliction.

Resolved, That our prayers be offered up for our bother unceasingly, that as he has glorified God by a life of faithful service, so may he in this time glorify him by suffering, and by a triumphant death, if death should come to him.

Passed unanimously by a rising vote.

Committee to apportion church debt at Bethel, made a report, when the following substitute was offered, which passed:

WHEREAS, The Mission Church at Bethel, Pitt county, few in number and poor in this world's goods, are greatly burdened with a debt incurred in building their house of worship; and whereas, there is no one around them to whom they can look for help, therefore,

Resolved, That we commend this church to the prayerful sympathy and the christian liberality of our brethren.

Resolved, That we ask the pastors of the Association to bring the matter before their churches at the earliest practicable day, and that they secure the largest contribution possible for liquidating this debt. All funds collected for this purpose to be forwarded to W. A. James, Jr., Bethel, N. C.

The Clerk was instructed to have printed the usual number of minutes and to receive the usual compensation for his services.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and heartily tendered to members of this church and citizens in the community for their generous hospitality.

Association adjourned to meet with the church at Maple Springs, Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1888.

W. E. BOWERS, *Moderator*,
Brinkleyville, N. C.

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk*,
Brinkleyville, N. C.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2d. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Associatian requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

12. An order of business, assigning a definite time to each topic to be brought before the Association, shall be made at the beginning of each session, and this order shall not be departed from in any case without unanimous consent.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2d. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3d. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavour to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to enquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in counsel.

14th. The Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Minute Fund.	Baptist Orphanage.	Total.
Antioch	$	$	$	$ 5 00	$	$ 75	$	$ 5 75
Bethel						75		75
Bear Swamp	2 00	2 00	5 00	100 00	10 00	1 50	2 00	122 50
Brown's		15 15		75 00		1 75		91 90
Cedar Rock				25 00		1 50		26 50
Cypress Chap.				5 00	65	1 00		6 65
Corinth	1 08			14 00	5 00	1 20		21 28
Conoconary				30 00		1 50		31 50
Dawson's				15 00		1 16		16 16
Elm Grove				10 00		1 00		11 00
Ephesus				20 00		1 50		21 50
Enfield				3 50				3 50
Fishing Creek	50	50	50	20 00	5 00	1 00		27 50
Free Chapel				5 00		75		5 75
Greenville				40 00	6 00	1 00		47 00
*Gardner's				30 00	10 00	1 50		41 50
Hickory				15 00		1 00		16 00
Hamilton	1 00			30 00	5 00	1 50	5 00	42 50
Harris' Chapel				15 00		1 50		16 50
John's Chapel			2 50	5 00		80		8 30
Littleton				40 00				40 00
Louisburg	1 30	60	3 50	100 00	25 00	2 00		132 40
*Middleburg	10 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	2 00	1 00		26 00
Mt. Olivet		10 00			2 50	1 50		14 00
Maple Springs					5 00	1 50		6 50
Mt. Vernon				6 25		1 00	2 50	9 75
Mt. Hebron				5 00	2 00	1 50		8 50
Mt. Zion	1 75	2 00	2 00	25 00	5 00	1 50	2 00	39 25
Mt. Lebanon						50		50
Nashville	3 00		2 00	2 00		50		7 50
New Hope				5 00		25		5 25
New Bethel			2 50	10 00	2 50	1 50		16 50
Poplar Spr'gs				15 00		1 80		16 80
Peach Tree				6 05		1 50		7 55
Pleasant G've				10 00		1 00		11 00
Pactolus				5 00		1 00		6 00
Philadelphia				9 60		2 00		11 60
Pine Forest						1 00		1 00
Quankie			85	10 00	5 00	1 00		16 85
Rehobeth				14 40		1 00		15 40
Red Bud				10 00		1 50		11 50
Reedy Creek				11 50	10 00	1 50		23 00
Rocky Mt				25 00		1 00		26 00
Rock Spring	5 07			15 00		1 50		21 57
Sharpsburg				2 00		25		2 25

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S TABLE—CONTINUED.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions	State Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Minute Fund.	Baptist Orphanage.	Total.
Sandy Creek	$	$	$	$	$	$ 1 50	$	$ 1 50
Shiloh						3 00		3 00
Samaria				10 00		3 00		13 00
Sharon		5 00		25 00	7 64	1 25		38 89
Social Plains				5 00		1 00		6 00
Scotland Neck				200 00		2 00		202 00
Toisnot				10 00	3 00	1 00		14 00
Tarboro				50 00				50 00
Turkey Br'ch	50		50	10 00	5 00	1 00		17 00
Weldon				15 00				15 00
Williamston				25 00		50		25 50
Wilson				50 00		2 50		52 50
Warrenton				27 75		2 25		30 00
Washington								
Warren Pl'ns			25	10 00		1 60		11 85
Enterprise		2 35				40		2 75
Sulphur Sp'gs				2 01		1 00		3 01
INDIVIDUALS.								
G. L. Finch					2 50			
J. W. Sledge					5 00			
J. T. Hollingsworth					2 00			
	$36 20	$38 60	$20 60	$1239 06	118 29	$73 46	$12 50	$1565 71

*NOTE.—Gardner's Church gave $25.00 and Middleburg Church $1.00 for the debt of Greenville Church; Middleburg Church also gave $1.00 for Yates Mission House. $1.00 was also contributed for Bryan House.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESS.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Colored.	Total Membership.
Antioch	James H. Parker, Heathsville		1		2		1		72
Bear Swamp	Henry Connell, Brinkleyville,		3				2	6	118
Bethel	David H. James, Bethel		15						15
Brown's	Howard Allen, Shatter	13	5	1	15	1	1		104
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	9	2	1		3	1		120
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Mapleville	11	7	1		1		3	79
Conoconary	E. C. Pitman, Crowells	15	1	6	5		3		162
Corinth	E. W. Green, Louisburg	10	1		4	3	2		107
Dawsons	J. H. Branch, Dawson's Cross Rds		2			1	4		93
Elm Grove	E. H. Weaver, Nashville		2	2	5	7	1		111
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield				2				29
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	3			1	2	1		68
Enterprise	Charlie Bobbitt, Littleton	6							39
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood	10	1	2	1	2	1		69
Free Chapel	T. A. Bone, Nashville					2			40
Gardner's	Jos. W. Shearin, Churchill	33	1	1	5		2		153
Greenville	D. J. Whichard, Greenville		4		5		1		94
Harris' Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola	6	2				2		74
Hamilton	R. B. Salsbury, Hamilton	12	5		10	1	1		68
Hickory	W. H. Sexton, Gold Rock	15		1	7	3			57
John's Chapel	B. W. Teppett, Wilson	12			1	3			48
Littleton	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton	4	2						73
Louisburg	J. P. Timberlake, Louisburg	8	2		4	1	2		110
Mt. Zion	E. G. Conyers, Laurel	10	1	1	3	2	1		120
Mt. Lebanon	T. R. Batchelor, Nashville	5							22
Mt. Hebron	E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge	2	4						94
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	8	5	1	6	1			99
*Mt. Olivet	B. J. Brown, Franklinton	15	4	2	1		2		95
Mt. Vernon	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	3	7		1				19
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg				6				36
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	6	3						24
New Bethel	R. H. Duke, Henderson	17	2		4	3	2		153
New Hope	I. J. Farmer, Wilson								37
Poplar Springs	John Griffin, Sutton	20	3	1	3	5	8		223
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus								14
Pine Forest	David L. Beach, Everett's								36
Pleasant Grove	Z. R. Hinton, Nashville		3		1		1	4	79
Peach Tree	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunt's	16	1		6		1	12	162
Philadelphia	W. B. Bunting, Nashville	4	15		7	3	1		159
Quankie	J. I. Cullom, Weldon	7				1	2		103
Red Bud	S. Harper, Castalia	23	2		1	4	3		170
Rocky Mount	H. D. Avera, Rocky Mount		4		2		1		52
Rehobeth	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount	12	1	1	1	1	2		89
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Layton	5		1	2	4	1		113
Roanoke	W. E. Daniel, Weldon				1				48
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek	39	9	6	2		2		211
Sulphur Sp'ngs	J. L. Rodgers, Brodie	14	16						30
Social Plains	J. M. Brantley, Union Hope		3	1	1	3	1		48
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	8	6		2		2		187
Sandy Creek	N. Davis, Cedar Rock	4		2	1	1			184
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg	2							10
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains	18			2		2		124
Samaria	D. S. Cone, Stanhope	9	4	1	2	5	3		216
Shiloh	R. S. Taylor, Kittrells	12		3	20	10	3	594	594
Turkey Branch	W. D. Saunders, Ringwood	4	6	1	1	1			68
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot		3		1				43
Tarboro	E. O. Moore, Tarboro								45
Williamston	D. Worthington, Williamston	3	2			1	1		38
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	1	2		7	1	2		83
Wilson	J. J. Atkinson, Wilson	4	5		5		1		162
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton		2		3		3		75
Washington									
		438	169	36	158	76	70	613	5978

*Mt. Olivet dismissed to join Central Association.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses.	Education.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Baptist Orphanage.	Building Purposes.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Greenville Church.	Total Amounts.
Antioch	$ 100 00	$ 3 00	$.....	$ 5 00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 75	$.....	$ 108 75
Bear Swamp	150 00	.....	.....	100 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	42 50	.....	.....	1 50	.....	303 00
Bethel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	700 00	.....	75	.....	700 75
Brown's	150 00	.....	2 00	75 00	15 58	.....	.....	7 00	.....	25 00	1 75	.....	276 33
Cedar Rock	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	26 50
Cypress Chapel	35 06	.....	65	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	41 65
Conoconary	400 00	182 00	2 75	30 00	.....	.....	2 35	1 00	5 00	.....	1 50	.....	624 60
Corinth	150 00	.....	5 00	14 00	.....	1 08	.....	.....	.....	12 46	1 20	.....	183 74
Dawson's	150 00	12 00	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 16	.....	178 16
Elm Grove	75 00	225 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	306 00
Enfield	.....	.....	.....	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 50
Ephesus	75 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	96 50
Enterprise	100 00	65	.....	.....	2 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	103 40
Fishing Creek	125 00	.....	5 00	20 00	50	80	50	1 00	.....	7 50	1 00	.....	161 30
Free Chapel	25 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	30 75
Gardner's	150 00	.....	10 00	30 00	7 13	10 88	5 22	12 54	.....	.....	1 50	25 00	252 27
Greenville	500 00	71 00	11 50	40 00	2 50	.....	.....	52 00	67 50	193 83	1 00	.....	939 33
Harris' Chapel	150 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	1 50	.....	122 50
Hamilton	300 00	35 00	5 00	30 00	.....	1 00	.....	10 00	.....	100 00	1 50	.....	482 50
Hickory	.....	80	.....	12 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 17	.....	1 00	.....	35 57
John's Chapel	11 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	2 40	.....	8 00	.....	80	.....	27 20
Littleton	225 00	25 00	12 00	40 00	.....	8 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	310 30
Louisburg	500 00	85 00	25 00	100 00	60	1 30	3 50	21 75	.....	3 00	2 00	.....	740 15
Mount Zion	150 00	.....	5 00	25 00	2 00	1 75	2 00	2 00	.....	15 00	1 50	.....	204 25
Mount Lebanon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	50
Mount Hebron	75 00	65 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	141 50
Mount Olivet	85 00	250 00	2 50	.....	10 00	1 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	350 32
Mount Vernon	50 00	3 00	.....	6 25	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	1 00	.....	62 75
Middleburg	.....	9 70	2 00	10 00	1 00	10 00	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	36 70
Maple Springs	100 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	3 50	1 50	.....	115 00
Nashville	.....	5 00	.....	2 00	.....	3 00	2 00	.....	50 00	.....	50	.....	62 50
New Bethel	100 00	125 00	2 50	10 00	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	241 50
New Hope	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	5 25
Poplar Springs	150 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	7 00	.....	.....	115 00	1 80	.....	288 80

Pleasant Grove	50 00			10 00							1 00		61 00
Pactolus	100 00	2 50		5 00					7 83	7 17	1 00		122 50
Pine Forest											1 00		1 00
Peach Tree	150 00			6 65							1 50		157 55
Philadelphia	150 00	3 00		9 00							2 00		164 00
Quankie	125 00		5 00	10 00			85				1 00		141 85
Red Bud				10 00							1 50		11 50
*Rocky Mount	400 00	40 00	5 00	25 00		3 50	3 00	14 57		52 00	1 00		544 07
Rehobeth	150 00			14 40						10 00	1 00		175 40
Rock Spring		10 00		15 00		26 78					1 50		53 28
*Roanoke	200 00	44 23	7 50	15 00	36 93	12 70	13 60	25 75	24 00	16 28	1 00	25 00	422 09
Reedy Creek	150 00		10 00	11 50		6 00	2 30	5 40		16 36	1 50		192 06
Sulphur Springs	60 00			2 01							1 00		62 01
Social Plains	50 00	1 00		5 00					20 00		1 00		77 00
Sandy Creek											1 50		1 50
Sharpsburg	25 00	300 00		2 00							25		327 25
Scotland Neck	1000 00	150 00	25 00	200 00						900 00	2 00		2277 00
Sharon	150 00		14 44	25 00	5 00	6 00	3 00	3 14			1 25		207 83
Samaria	72 00	2 00		10 00				60 00	6 00		3 00		153 00
Shiloh		93 40		10 00			3 00				3 00		109 40
Turkey Branch	75 00	15 00	5 00	10 00		50	50			8 00	1 00		110 00
Toisnot	165 00		6 00	10 00		1 65	1 38	2 35			1 00		187 38
*Tarboro	400 00		6 50	50 00	5 00	8 00	3 50	6 58		1 25			480 83
*Williamston	88 75	40 00		25 00	2 45	1 81		3 40		54 48	50		216 39
Wilson	800 00	200 00	15 00	50 00		10 00	10 00	10 00		150 00	2 50		1247 50
*Warren Plains	100 00	10 00		10 00						2 01	1 60		123 61
*Warrenton	550 00	133 00	30 00	27 75	41 00	29 58	13 08	20 55	47 00	61 65	2 25		959 71
Washington													
	$9041 75	$2141 28	$ 220 34	$1227 16	$ 134 04	$ 155 87	$ 84 68	$ 304 03	$ 270 50	$1775 60	$ 73 46	$ 51 00	$ 15,861 63

*NOTE.—Williamston sends for Sunday School Board $36.48; Warrenton sends $3.65; Warren Plains, $2.01; Tarboro, $1.25; Roanoke, $5.53; and Rocky Mount, $52.00, all for the same object. These amounts show up in "other objects" column.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	O. & Tch'rs.	Scholars.	Volumes.	Conversions.	No. Months.	Kind Words taken.	Baptist Teacher.	Other papers.	Contributions.
Brown's	J. A. Tunstall, Brookston	9	55	50		9				$ 11 00
Cedar Rock	Jno. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	13	50	75	5	12			60	15 00
Cypress Chapel	H. W. Wilder, Mapleville	13	95			8			100	5 00
" " No. 2			40							
Conoconary	E. C. Pitman, Crowell's	12	50			12		6	50	25 00
Corinth	E. W. Green, Louisburg	6	50	100		8				2 24
Dawson's	Dr. O. C. Stallings, Dawson's X Roads	12	75	50		6			12	3 00
		9	73	87		8				2 00
Elm Grove	R. T. Matthews, Nashville	7	28	50		12		1	26	21 45
Enfield	F. J. Dennis, Enfield	7	30	103		6				
Ephesus	J. T. Webb, Nashville	6	42	50		12				15 14
Enterprise	Henry Bobbitt, Littleton	5	75			10				7 67
Fishing Creek	I. C. Sledge, Ringwood		23			3				
Free Chapel	J. B. Batts, Nashville	7	85			12				11 83
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	18	100	536		12		36	100	175 00
Greenville	J. H. Tucker, Greenville	7	30			6				2 50
Harriss' Chapel	W. E. Mabry, Essex	10	56	50		12		5		30 00
Hamilton	W. T. Grimes, Hamilton	7	30	20				1	36	4 00
Hickory	W. S. Dozier, Gold Rock	4	58			6				2 62
John's Chapel	Jno. T. Fulford, Stanhope	11	100	150		12	20	7	60	56 18
Littleton	L. A. Bagley, Littleton	7	80		2	12	100	5		100 00
Louisburg	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg	8	85	60		9		5		43 45
Mt. Zion	Geo. H. Cooper, Laurel	9	96			5	26	18		
Mt. Hebron	S. R. Pearce, Castalia	13	109	11		6				14 42
Mt. Olivet	A. H. Catlett, Franklinton	7	60							
" No. 2	" "	8	75							
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	5	40							
" No. 2	" " "	6	41			12	20	2		15 00
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	8	60			8				8 00
New Bethel	Rev. C. Coghill, Henderson	6	25	64		3				
Pleasant Grove		5	40			10		2	36	22 55
Pactolus	W. B. Bagwell, Pactolus		102							15 00
Poplar Springs	J. Griffin, Sutton	7	65	20		12				
Philadelphia	A. C. Griffin, Red Oak	8	40			4				
Quankie	Thad Butts, Weldon	5	30			6		25		2 00
Red Bud	T. S. Collie, Cedar Rock	9	55	36		12	5	5	24	66 57
Rocky Mount	Geo. L. Parker, Rocky Mount	8	31			6			5	
Rehobeth	E. T. Berkley, Rocky Mount	6	40			12	20	1	50	14 54
Roanoke	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	9	63							6 00
Reedy Creek	T. J. Pitchford, Creek	6	61	24		8			12	
Sulphur Sp'ngs	J. T. Rogers Brodie	5	50			8			40	2 00
Social Plains	Henry Hagwood, Union Hope	15	110	125	5	9				
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Laurel	5	91			5				
" No. 2	David Gupton, Laurel	3	20			6				3 00
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg	20	179	500		12	150	15	150	160 00
Scotland Neck	Dr. R. M. Johnson, Scotland Neck	7	40	20						7 00
Sharon	Jas. H. Hicks, Warren Plains	7	65			6				6 00
Samaria	J. J. Murray, Union Hope	5	30			6				1 40
Turkey Branch	T. N. Butts, Enfield	6	67							
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot									
Tarboro	No report only for Sunday School expenses									15 00
Wilson	Geo. W. Blount, Wilson	17	100	200		12		24	150	75 00
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	15	67	150		12		1	62	38 53
Williamston	S. F. Williams, Williamston	10	77	100		12		10		
Warrenton	J. W. Williams, Warrenton	13	88	242		12			160	54 09
		447	3333	2879	12		341	169	1129	$105924

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OF THE

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OF THE

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT MAPLE SPRINGS,

OCTOBER 11TH, 12TH AND 13TH, 1888.

THE NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT GARDNER'S, FIVE MILES NORTH OF MACON, ON THURSDAY BEFORE SECOND SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1889.

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Ordained Ministers and P. O. Address.

Barkley, J. G	Rocky Mount.
Cade, Baylus	Louisburg.
Cullom, W. R	Wake Forest.
Coppedge, Geo	Moore's Mills.
Duke, G. M	Nashville.
Dowell, G. J	Hamilton.
Dowell, C. L	Williamston.
Finch, G. L	Crowell's.
Hufham, J. D	Scotland Neck.
Harper, R. D	Duke's.
Leslie, J. A	Tarboro.
Morton, W. B	Weldon.
Newell, G. W	Mapleville.
Pernell, M. R	Louisburg.
Pitchford, J. A	Littleton.
Peele, R. E	Crowell's.
Sledge, J. W	Cedar Rock.
Taylor, T. J	Warrenton.
Willoughby, M. J	Nashville.
Willcox, A. G	Brinkleyville.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

W. E. Bowers, Moderator, A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treas.,
Brinkleyville N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

W. E. Bowers, N. Biggs, E. W. Timberlake,
C. M. Cooke, N. L. Shaw, W. A. Dunn.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2d. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3d. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to inquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union which may violate the rules of the same or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14th. The Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2d. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

12th. An order of business, assigning a definite time to each topic to be brought before the Association, shall be made at the beginning of each session, and this order shall not be departed from in any case without unanimous consent.

PROCEEDINGS.

MAPLE SPRINGS, October 11th, 1888.

The Tar River Association met with the Church here to-day in its Fifty-eighth Annual Session.

Owing to the inclement weather and the lateness of the hour at which the body met the introductory sermon was dispensed with. The Moderator called the body to order and the religious services were conducted by Bro. Wildman. Rev. G. L. Finch was appointed Reading Clerk, and J. W. Robbins and W. D. Carter, Finance Committee. Roll-call showed the following representation:

Antioch—By letter.
Brown's—J. W. Smithwick.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers.
Bethel—Rev. Geo. J. Dowell.
Cedar Rock—J. A. Coppedge, R. R. Boon.
Cypress Chapel—A. A. Sledge, W. B. Stallings.
Conoconary—Rev. G. L. Finch.
Corinth—S. T. Dernent, S. E. Lancaster.
Dawson's—Rev. G. L. Finch.
Elm Grove—R. T. Matthews, A. S. Baines, J. F. Procter.
Enfield—By letter.
Ephesus—W. M. Warren, W. M. Batchelor.
Enterprise—W. H. Bobbitt, Fletcher Bobbitt.
Fishing Creek—J. C. Sledge, Wm. Rosser.
Free Chapel—R. L. Whitley, J. C. Carter, W. R. Boon.
Gardner's—J. H. Nicholson, Wm. James.
Granville—Rev. J. W. Wildman.
Harriss Chapel—B. Y. Harriss, J. H. Shearin, W. E. Mabry.
Hamilton—Rev. G. W. Dowell.
Hickory—W. S. Dozier, H. B. S. Pitt.
Johns' Chapel—Shem Bissett, G. W. Finch, H. T. Finch.
Littleton—By letter.
Louisburg—C. M. Cooke, E. W. Timberlake, B. Allen.
Maple Springs—A. W. Perry, J. W. Wheeless, Jno. M. Stallings.
Mt. Vernon—A. C. Thomas, Thomas Wright, J. M. Neal.
Mt. Zion—Wm. Cooper, Willis Joyner, D. Bartholomew.
Mt. Hebron—

Mt. Lebanon—T. R. Batchelor, L. R. Brantley.
Middleburg—J. T. Mills, W. H. Kimball, W. E. Wilson.
Nashville—T. T. Ross, M. J. Willoughby, L. M. Conyers.
New Bethel—B. F. Stainback, R. E. Aycock.
New Hope—W. H. Rice, Geo. Dew, Jno. Dew.
Poplar Springs—A. C. Perry, S. J. Alford, J. H. Chevis.
Pactolus—Rev. Geo. J. Dowell.
Pine Forest—By letter.
Pleasant Grove—J. W. Coggin.
Peach Tree—A. Wheeless, D. S. Thomas, James Jeffres.
Philadelphia—Walter Lewis, W. W. Strickland, H. G. Leonard.
Quankin—
Red Bud—T. S. Colley, A. P. Murphy, Ruffin Griffin.
Rocky Mount—J. J. Coley, G. L. Parker, C. F. Ellen.
Rehoboth—A. Coley, W. B. Harper.
Rock Springs—B. R. Perry, J. L. Cheavis, B. F. Wilder.
Roanoke—Rev. W. B. Morton.
Reedy Creek—Sam. Lancaster, Thomas Southal, Jas. Duke.
Sulphur Springs—T. C. Revis, W. M. O'Neal, J. Coley.
Social Plains—H. C. Haywood, B. G. Alford, J. B. Alford.
Scotland Neck—W. Biggs.
Sandy Creek—J. D. Rix, J. A. Pitchford, J. H. Gupton.
Sharpsburg—G. W. Robbins.
Sharon—By letter.
Samaria—B. T. Strickland, Thos. Westray, J. R. Wethersby.
Shiloh—Handy Crudup.
Turkey Branch—Willie Hall.
Toisnot—W. D. Carter.
Tarboro—Rev. J. A. Leslie.
Williamston—Rev. C. L. Dowell.
Warren Plains—By letter.
Wilson—
Warrenton—Rev. T. J. Taylor.
Washington—

The Association was permanently organized by re-electing the former officers, W. E. Bowers, Moderator, and A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats and accepted by Rev. C. T. Bailey of the *Recorder*, Rev. C. Durham, representing the State Mission Board, Dr. John Mitchell, representative of the Board of Education, Rev. P. H. Pernell of Liberty Association, representing the Baptist Orphanage, and Professor Hobgood of Oxford Female College, Flat River Association.

The Moderator appointed brethren N. Biggs and C. M. Cooke Committee on Order of Business.

The Report on Sunday-schools was read by Bro. Wildman for committee. Bro. Durham stated that it was the desire of the Sunday-school Board that each Association in the State should organize a Sunday-school Association, to be held at some time between the meeting of the Convention and the meeting of the District Association. After discussion by different brethren the report was amended by this Association deciding to hold said Sunday-school Association. Report adopted.

A motion was made by Bro. Cade and carried by the body that a committee of five brethren be appointed, to whom should be referred the plan of perfecting the work, the time and place of first meeting of the Association. Committee: J. W. Wildman, B. Cade, Jno. Coppedge, N. Biggs and A. G. Willcox.

Moved by Bro. Wildman that this committee be instructed to inquire whether it would be wise and expedient to appoint a Sunday-school missionary and colporter in the Tar River Association. Carried.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Mitchell.

MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9½ o'clock.

Association met and devotional exercises were led by Bro. Geo. J. Dowell. Report on Education was the first thing to claim the attention of the body. Report read by Bro. Wildman and discussed by Dr. Mitchell, and roll of churches called and following amounts pledged for next year:

Bear Swamp	$ 5 00	Poplar Springs	$ 5 00
Bethel	2 50	Pleasant Grove	2 00
Cedar Rock	5 00	Pactolus	5 00
Cypress Chapel	1 00	Pine Forest	2 50
Conoconary	15 00	Philadelphia	5 00
Corinth	5 00	Quankin	5 00
Dawson's	5 00	Red Bud	2 50
Ephesus	2 50	Rocky Mount	5 00
Enterprise	1 50	Rock Spring	2 50
Fishing Creek	5 00	Roanoke	15 00
Gardner's	20 00	Reedy Creek	5 00
Greenville	10 00	Sulphur Springs	1 00
Hamilton	5 00	Sandy Creek	1 00
Hickory	5 00	Sharpsburg	2 00
Johns' Chapel	1 00	Scotland Neck	25 00
Louisburg	25 00	Sharon	15 00

Mt. Zion	$ 5 00	Samaria	$ 2 00
Mt. Hebron	2 00	Turkey Branch	5 00
Mt. Vernon	5 00	Toisnot	5 00
Maple Springs	5 00	Tarboro	5 00
Nashville	5 00	Wilson	5 00
New Bethel	2 50		
New Hope	2 00		$260 50

Further consideration postponed until Saturday afternoon.

Hour for special order having arrived State Missions next claimed attention of the body. Report read by Rev. G. W. Newell. Report discussed by Rev. C. Durham, after which a collection amounting to $7.96 was taken. Report adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. Leslie and ably discussed by different brethren, after which the report was adopted.

The Executive Committe for the next session was appointed, consisting of W. E. Bowers, N. Biggs, E. W. Timberlake, C. M. Cooke, N. L. Shaw, W. A. Dunn.

Committee on time, place and preachers appointed—Dr. T. T. Ross, C. M. Cooke, Jno. H Nicholson. Adjourned.

Prayer by Bro. Leslie.

MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, 10 o'clock.

Devotional exercises were led by Elder R. D. Harper, after which the Report on Periodicals was called for. In absence of the brother appointed to prepare said report, Bro. Hufham was requested to prepare the report, during which time Bro. Bailey addressed the body. Report offered and after discussion was adopted.

The following standing committees were appointed:

To write on Sunday-schools—W. E. Daniel.
To write on Obituaries—C. M. Cooke.
To write on State Missions—J. A. Coppedge.
To write on Foreign Missions—J. A. Leslie.
To write on Education—W. B. Morton.
To write on Associational Missions—J. D. Hufham.
To write on Orphanage—R. D. Fleming.
To write on Periodicals—G. L. Finch.
To write on Home Missions—W. A. Dunn.

Report on Orphanage was read by Bro. P. H. Pernell and discussed by brethren Pernell, Taylor, Hufham, Cade and others,

after which a collection in cash and pledges was taken as follows: C. M. Cooke, $5; W. E. Bowers, $5; T. R. Bowers, $5; Mrs. Dr. Jackson, $5; J. W. Smithwick, $5; Mrs. J. J. Allen, $1; Mrs. M. T. Willcox, $1; J. A. Coppedge, $2; Mrs. Henry Pitt, 50 cents; W. H. Lewis, 50 cents; Rev. R. D. Harper, 25 cents; Rev. A. G. Willcox, $1; hat collection, $20.02. Total, $46.27.

In addition to the above the following brethren pledged shoes, to be sent by November 10th: B. Cade, 10 pairs; T. J. Taylor, 10 pairs; G. M. Duke, 10 pairs; Brown's, 10 pairs; Franklinton, 10 pairs; Nashville, 5 pairs; Bear Swamp, 5 pairs; W. D. Carter, 5 pairs; Warren Plains, 5 pairs; Mt. Zion, 5 pairs; G. L. Finch, 2 pairs; John Stallings, 2 pairs; J. H. Duke, 2 pairs; Corinth, 3 pairs; Ephesus, 2 pairs; R. D. Harper, 3 pairs; J. M. Neal, 3 pairs; J. W. Wildman, 8 pairs. Total, 100 pairs. Cedar Rock, 20 pairs stockings; Rehoboth, 10 pairs stockings.

The report was adopted.

The following churches have pledged the annexed amounts for the coming year for the Orphanage: Bethel, $60; Bear Swamp, $10; Brown's, $60; Cedar Rock, $5; Corinth, $5; Greenville, $25; Hickory, $2; Louisburg, $60; Middleburg, $5; Maple Springs, $10; Mt. Zion, $5; Nashville, $10; Poplar Springs, $5; Philadelphia, $5; Quankin, $5; Rehoboth, $5; Red Bud, $5; Reedy Creek, $5; Rocky Mount, $10; Sulphur Springs, $1; Sharpsburg, $3; Samaria, $5; Scotland Neck, $200; Toisnot, $1; Williamston, $60; Warrenton, $120. Total, $687.

The hour for special order having arrived the Report on Associational Missions was read by Bro. Hufham. After able discussions by brethren Hufham, Duke, Cooke and others the roll of churches was called and the following amounts pledged for next year:

Scotland Neck	$ 200 00	J. W. Wildman	$ 10 00
Bear Swamp	100 00	Reddin Bobbitt	10 00
Louisburg	100 00	W. H. Perry	10 00
Tarboro	50 00	E. W. Timberlake	10 00
Williamston	50 00	T. J. Taylor	10 00
Brown's	50 00	Red Bud	7 50
Conoconary	40 00	Bethel	5 00
Greenville	40 00	Cypress Chapel	5 00
Hamilton	30 00	Corinth	5 00
Mt. Zion	25 00	Elm Grove	5 00
Philadelphia	25 00	Free Chapel	5 00
Reedy Creek	25 00	Johns' Chapel	5 00
Rocky Mount	25 00	New Hope	5 00
Sharon	25 00	Peach Tree	5 00
Warrenton	25 00	Pleasant Grove	5 00

G. M. Duke	$ 25 00	Pine Forest	$ 5 00
J. D. Hufham	25 00	Sharpsburg	5 00
Dawson's	20 00	Social Plain	5 00
Ephesus	20 00	Sulphur Springs	5 00
Gardner's	20 00	Mrs. Dr. Jackson	5 00
C. M. Cooke	20 00	Mrs. M. T. Willcox	5 00
N. Biggs	20 00	Mrs. Mary Webb	5 00
B. Cade	20 00	J. W. Sledge	5 00
Fishing Creek	15 00	J. H. Nicholson	5 00
Cedar Rock	15 00	W. H. Lewis	5 00
Hickory	15 00	J. M. Neal	5 00
Harriss Chapel	15 00	A. G. Willcox	5 00
Mt. Vernon	15 00	C. P. Harriss	5 00
Poplar Springs	15 00	L. M. Conyers	5 00
Weldon	15 00	James Coley	5 00
Rehoboth	15 00	Mrs. Sherrod Sledge	5 00
Antioch	10 00	Mrs. Henry Pitt	5 00
Enfield	10 00	W. H. Allen	5 00
Littleton	10 00	B. F. Briggs	5 00
Maple Springs	10 00	H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
Nashville	10 00	Thomas Westry	5 00
New Bethel	10 00	Peach Tree	5 00
Pactolus	10 00	J. H. Upperman	5 00
Quankin	10 00	R. R. Boon	5 00
Rock Springs	10 00	John Stallings	5 00
Sandy Creek	10 00	W. E. Bowers	5 00
Shiloh	10 00	Mrs. Dora Jackson	5 00
Samaria	10 00	L. E. Lancaster	1 00
Toisnot	10 00	R. D. Harper	2 00
T. Branch	10 00	J. R. Weathersby	1 00
Warren Plains	10 00	Mt. Lebanon	1 00
Dr. T. T. Ross	10 00		
J. T. Love	10 00	Grand Total	$1,522 50

The report was adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met at 2 o'clock. The Committee on Time and Place report Gardner's the place; time, Thursday before second Sunday in October, 1889. To preach Introductory Sermon, Rev. G. M. Duke; to preach Denominational Sermon, Rev. George Dowell; to preach Missionary Sermon, Rev. J. D. Hufham.

The Report on Home Missions was read by Bro. Cade and, after discussion, adopted.

The Finance Committee made their report as follows:

Received for Foreign Missions	$ 60 48
Received for Associational Missions	1,082 45
Received for State Missions	23 60
Received for Home and Indian Missions	39 70
Received for Education	80 50
Received for Baptist Orphanage	33 82
Received for Minute Fund	68 44
Received for Sunday-school Board	2 50

Individual pledges of last year for Associational Missions:

A. A. Coley	$ 5 00
G. T. Coley	5 00
G. M. Duke	10 00
M. J. Willoughby	10 00
J. L. Hinton	5 00
A. G. Willcox	5 00
J. W. Sledge, $2.50 for Associational Missions and Education	5 00
E. W. Timberlake	15 00
W. M. Warren, for Foreign Missions	1 00

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. ROBBINS,
W. D. CARTER,
Committee.

The Treasurer of the Executive Committee read his report, which was referred to Bro. E. W. Timberlake to audit, who reported as follows:

I have examined account of N. Biggs, Treasurer of Executive Committee, and find same correct. E. W. TIMBERLAKE, *Auditor.*

The Treasurer of the Association read his report, which was referred to E. W. Timberlake to audit, who reported:

I have examined account of A. G. Willcox, Treasurer of the Association, and find same to be correct. E. W. TIMBERLAKE, *Auditor.*

The Association appointed Dr. Hufham as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, to be held in Memphis in May next, and any member who may be present as delegate to the Baptist State Convention.

The Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of Minutes printed and receive the usual compensation for his services.

The Special Committee on Sunday-school Association reported as follows:

The special committee to whom was referred the arranging for a Sunday-school Convention recommend: 1st. That every school connected with this body be requested to send three delegates to a convention to be held in the town of Scotland Neck, commencing on Thursday night before fifth Sunday in June, 1889. 2d. That this committee or another be appointed to arrange programme and send blanks to the schools for statistical information, with the request that a small contribution be sent up for printing Minutes. 3d. That the matter of appointing a Sunday-school missionary and colporter be committed to the Sunday-school Convention.

J. W. WILDMAN,
BAYLUS CADE,
NOAH BIGGS,
A. G. WILLCOX,
JNO. A. COPPEDGE,
Committee.

It was moved and carried that the Sunday collection be given to the Orphanage.

The Report on Obituaries was read by Bro. Willoughby and, after remarks by brethren, adopted.

The following resolution of thanks was offered by Bro. Cooke and passed unanimously by the body:

Resolved, That we gratefully appreciate the generous hospitality of the people of this community to the members of this body.

The Association adjourned to meet with the church at Gardner's, Thursday before second Sunday in October, 1889. Prayer by Bro. T. J. Taylor.

W. E. BOWERS,
Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX,
Clerk and Treasurer.

APPENDIX.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

During the past year the work of Foreign Missions has been enlarged by the appointment of twenty-one new missionaries to labor in foreign lands. Quite a number of these go from the churches of our State, some of them to stand alongside of Bryan and Herring in the land where our fallen Yates sleeps. Thus China is linked with new bonds to our sympathies, our prayers and our alms.

It is a matter of special joy to be able to report increased contributions on the part of our churches to Foreign Missions. Last year our churches gave $155.87. A partial examination of the letters sent up to the present meeting shows that fifty-four churches gave $248.13. Let us go on until the churches of the Tar River Association shall contribute enough to support a foreign missionary.

Respectfully submitted, J. A. LESLIE.

OBITUARY REPORT.

The reaper, Death, as usual, has been busy again. Actively has he wielded his scythe, and many are the brethren and sisters who have fallen victims of the grim monster. We are thus reminded that the battle of life is brief and that our earthly pilgrimage will soon be ended. Soon *we* shall go to the reunion, to join those of our number who have gone home. They have only gone home to "rest from their labors." We can now recall only the following names of brethren who have been members of this Association: Deacons J. T. Webb, E. Coggin, Hamlin Allen, G. W. Nicholson, Sherrod Gay, W. D. Coppedge, and brethren Z. R. Hinton and Theo. Parker. These and many more good men and women have gone home and no more will answer the roll-call on earth. Death found them, but with armor on and bright from active service.

Your committee would call special notice to Bro. Webb, who for several years faithfully and efficiently filled the chair of this Association. He was born February 9, 1830, and died October 30, 1887. He was ever ready to aid his Master's work, giving with cheerful heart and liberal hand to the cause of Christ. When the Lord called he was ready, saying, "It will be so sweet to rest when we get home." "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."—Rev. 14:13.

Respectfully submitted, M. J. WILLOUGHBY.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school is the church at work. Sixty-two churches in our Association for the year 1887 conducted forty-eight schools and four mission schools. In other words, fourteen churches show no evidences of life, save their application to the Mission Board for substantial aid such as they persistently refuse to render others.

A pastor who serves a church as a missionary and does not organize a Sunday-school therein must be spiritually dead, and freezes out the little glow of love God has kindled in the hearts of his members. For such pastor we cheerfully recommend an appropriation for burial purposes, such as is suitable to his condition in life. If there is a vestige of life left in him we would commend to him some organization opposed to progress in the Lord's kingdom upon earth, where his earthly peace and quiet will never be disturbed by the Master's command, "Go ye therefore and teach," etc. Oh! man of God, awake from your spiritual lethargy. Buckle on your armor. Cross over the Jordan of difficulties and possess this land for Christ. "Why stand ye here idle all the day?"

Of the forty-eight Sabbath-schools only eighteen were kept open through the year, and the remaining forty-four faintly live long enough to report to the Association and then retire to winter quarters where their scholars can indulge in the wicked amusements of the festive season with none of the restraining influences of a weekly Sabbath-school. God says, "Study the law by day and by night." Forty-four churches study it only in summer.

Our Minutes show an encouraging increase in the work and number of our schools, but nothing as compared with what we might do. The ratio of church members to Sunday-school scholars is about two to one, while the reverse should be true. Five thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight members should increase their scholars from 3,333 to 6,000 in 1889. Can it be done? Yes. Let every pastor organize a mission band and let them organize mission schools in every direction and scatter Baptist literature wherever they go, and but few years of prayerful effort will tell in triumphant tones of a glorious victory for Christ and His kingdom. Remain inactive and some one else will be the victor.

J. H. TUCKER.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee is glad to report a growing interest among our people in the work of general education. This is manifest in part in the growth and present condition of our schools, both male and female. Wake Forest has each year gone ahead of the preceding one in the matter of attendance. Already there are 200 students present, the largest number ever enrolled at the same period. There are 40 students for the ministry, 32 of whom are cared for by the Board of Education. The Tar River Association is represented by three promising young brethren, while two others will apply for aid. Our churches have steadily increased their contributions to this work from $5 in 1879 to $220 in 1887; but this sum is not enough to support the brethren whom our own churches have at the College. There is need for still further growth.

It is a question whether we are giving that amount of attention to the education of the masses of our people that the importance of the matter demands. Pastors should see to it that the young men and women in their churches who possess talent are encouraged to make the most possible of themselves for the Lord Jesus Christ. Endeavor to awaken in them a desire for higher education and show them the way. Much as we realize the need of educated men in the ministry, even greater is the need of enlightened, educated men and women in the ranks of the membership. More general education among the masses of our people is the need of the hour, and in this matter all can help.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. WILDMAN.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Never before in our history has so much been attempted for God in the matter of State Missions as in the year now drawing to a close. One hundred consecrated men—87 of them as missionaries and 13 as colporters—have been laboring in the work of State evangelization and Sunday-schools. The need of this work is apparent; its influence for good is beyond our power to estimate.

Means are of course necessary for the prosecution of this work. Barely half the amount necessary to meet the expenses of the current year has been paid into the Board, and to prevent the necessity of reporting a debt to the Convention the Associations which have not yet sent up their contributions must respond liberally.

We recommend that a special collection be taken at this time for this object. The evidence of the Divine favor crowning the work in the past encourages us to continued vigor in its prosecution.

Respectfully submitted, G. W. NEWELL,
Committee.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

A well conducted newspaper is needful to the complete equipment of a Christain home. It is also needful to every pastor and Christian. We cannot understand our relation to the Lord's work in the world unless we know what the Lord is doing in the earth.

Such a newspaper as we need is the *Biblical Recorder*. It is able, alert, courageous and faithful. Its editor has served the denomination in this position for thirteen years. He is no novice. He has been tried in the fire and we know the proof of him.

We therefore commend the *Recorder* to all our brethren. It should find a place in every Baptist home.

The *Kind Words* series of papers, published at Atlanta, Georgia, furnish a complete equipment for our Sunday-schools.

J. D. HUFHAM,
Chairman.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

The Baptist Orphanage, located at Thomasville, N. C., is the infant child of the denomination, and as all infants need and must have special care and attention so we believe the Baptists of North Carolina ought to heed the cries of its infant and turn at least a portion of its time and attention to its needs.

There are now at the Orphanage ninety-two (92) children that must be clothed and fed. The winter is about here; their clothing is thin and their feet are bare, and the cry comes to us for help.

We are trying to complete the fourth building, known as the Biggs building. The brick walls are about complete and the work can only go on as the contributions come in. It is important that the house should be speedily completed for two reasons:

1st. If it remains as it is it will be seriously damaged during the winter

2d. It is very much needed. There are ninety-two children crowded into three houses that were built to accommodate seventy-two, and many others are pleading to come.

We therefore recommend to the pastors of all the churches to give their people a chance to contribute to this worthy object. Also recommend to the Sunday-school Superintendents to give the children a chance to help the motherless and fatherless.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. PERNELL.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

A YEAR'S WORK.

There have been fifteen men in the field during the Associational year. They have been scattered over all portions of our territory and God has richly blessed their labors. More than one hundred persons have been baptized, and at several points the organization of churches with good prospects may be expected during the coming year.

Elder George J. Dowell has been laboring in Martin and Pitt counties, a very important section. He has baptized twenty-six persons; this, to one who thinks, sufficiently indicates the character of the work he is doing.

In Martin county Elder Clarence Dowell has been preaching the glorious gospel of the blessed God and has baptized three persons, and our cause has been slowly but steadily growing stronger.

Elder George Duke has been preaching once a month at Battleboro. Nineteen persons have been baptized and the condition and prospects of the little church have brightened in every particular.

Elder J. W. Wildman has been preaching in Pitt county. At one station he baptized fifteen people. The Lord blessed the preaching of the Word and the whole community was mightily stirred.

Elder J. F. Love has been laboring at points in Beaufort and Pamlico counties, which but for his labors would be wholly destitute of Baptist preaching. He has baptized twenty people and has had other tokens of the Lord's presence with him.

Elder M. A. Adams has been preaching once a month at Enterprise. The brethren at that place tell us that they will need help one year more and after that they will be helpers in our great work.

Elder J. W. Lynch has been your missionary to Middleburg; from him we have received no report.

Elder R. D. Harper has been laboring at Sharpsburg. Two persons have been baptized and the prospects of the church have been greatly improved.

Elder J. A. Leslie has been preaching in Edgecombe county in fields otherwise wholly destitute of Baptist preaching. He has baptized twelve persons in that

field. He asks help on two houses of worship now in process of construction which are absolutely needful if our work in that field is to be prosecuted.

Elder M. J. Willoughby has been preaching at Nashville and has baptized five persons. All the reports which have reached us indicate that his labors are richly blessed in that mission field.

Elder J. W. Powell has been laboring at destitute points in Halifax and Edgecombe counties, and his work has been manifestly owned of the Lord. More than twenty persons have been baptized in meetings in which he has labored with other brethren.

Elder George Coppedge has preached at Johns' Chapel and has baptized seven persons.

Elder J. W. Sledge has been preaching and has baptized nine persons at Sulphur Springs. The brethren at that place have a house of worship in a state of forwardness which will be a neat and comfortable structure when finished. For this house the brethren are indebted largely to the liberality of Bro. J. M. Heck, of Raleigh.

Elder T. P. Lide has been preaching once a month at Enfield. We are without a detailed report from him.

Elder J. E. Hutson, of Virginia, an evangelist of good report, labored two months within our bounds and his labors were richly blessed.

RETROSPECT.

The summary given above of the labors of your missionaries for the year is in every way encouraging. At almost every point God has set the seal of His approval on the brethren who have been sustained by your liberality. This year made bright in our memories by the mercies of our God is not different from the other years in which you have been busy with this great work. All over your territory there are now prosperous churches which started as mission stations less than ten years ago. The older churches have also been blessed in their giving until now the membership of the body is more than twice what it was when you put your hands to the task of planting churches in the destitute portions of your territory.

LOOKING FORWARD.

The success of the past, while it cheers and encourages us, makes it necessary to maintain the work and even to enlarge it. There are still counties which have only one church of our faith. There is one county in which we have neither church nor preacher. One large town is without a Baptist preacher. By all means let us heed the voice of our God and go forward.

J. D. HUFHAM.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The field of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is made up of the Southern States, the Indian Territory and the Island of Cuba. There are vast areas of destitution in most of the Southern States, and the Indian Territory and Cuba are almost entirely without the gospel.

The evangelization of this territory is the object which the Board has set before itself. The work done in the past is the best guarantee we can have that the funds we give this Board will be wisely used. The work is encouraging all along the line, but the results already secured in Cuba are simply phenomenal.

The fact cannot be successfully denied that hitherto the work of our Home Board has not received from the churches of the Tar River Association the moral and financial support which its importance demands. Last year five thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight church members—all of them grown people—gave for this work only $84.68. This record ought not to be allowed to stand.

It is the opinion of your committee that increased contributions to Home Missions will not hurt or hinder, but will help every other enterprise in which we are engaged.

It is earnestly recommended that at least one collection be taken in every church of this Association during the ensuing year for Home Missions.

BAYLUS CADE,
Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION IN ACCOUNT WITH NOAH BIGGS.

1888. DR.

Oct. 10.	To Elder G. J. Dowell, Martin and Pitt counties	$250 00	
	To Elder C. L. Dowell, Martin county	250 00	
	To Elder J. W. Wildman, Pitt county	100 00	
	To Elder J. A. Leslie, Edgecombe county	100 00	
	To Elder J. W. Powell, Halifax county and stations around Rocky Mount	150 00	
	To Elder J. E. Hutson, three months' services as evangelist	100 00	
	To Elder M. A. Adams, Enterprise	30 00	
	To Elder J. W. Lynch, Middleburg	25 00	
	To Elder J. F. Love, Beaufort and Pamlico counties	150 00	
	To Elder J. W. Sledge	60 00	
	To Elder G. W. Coppedge	75 00	
	To Elder R. D. Harper, Sharpsburg	40 00	
	To Elder J. M. Willoughby, Nashville	75 00	
	To Elder T. P. Lide, Enfield	37 50	
	To Elder G. M. Duke, Battleboro	63 00	
	To Elder G. L. Finch	60 00	
		$1,507 50	

1887. CR.

Oct. 7.	By amount on hand this date	$ 355 75
	By amount from Finance Committee	1,238 06
	By amount from A. J. White	15 00
	By amount from Reedy Creek Church	12 00
	By amount from Turkey Branch Church	1 60
	By cash from A. G. Willcox	5 00
		$1,627 41
1888. Oct. 11.	By balance on hand to date	119 91

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION.

A. G. WILLCOX IN ACCOUNT WITH TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION.

1887. CR.

Oct. 6.	To balance due Association at last session	$ 40 07	
	Received of Finance Committee for Ministerial Education,	118 29	
	Received of Finance Committee for State Missions	38 60	
	Received of Finance Committee for Foreign Missions	36 20	
	Received of Finance Committee for Home Missions	20 60	
	Received of Finance Committee for Orphanage	12 50	
	Received of Finance Committee for Greenville church debt	26 00	
	Received of Finance Committee for Bryan House	1 00	
	Received of Finance Committee for Minute fund	73 46	
	Cash collection, State Missions	18 49	
	Cash collection, Baptist Orphanage	50 45	
	Cash collection, B. T. Strickland	20 00	
	Cash collection, Associational Missions	5 00	
		$460 66	

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	By amount paid F. H. Briggs for Education	$ 99 19
	By amount paid F. H. Briggs for Foreign Missions	36 20
	By amount paid F. H. Briggs for State Missions	57 09
	By amount paid F. H. Briggs for Home Missions	20 60

By amount paid F. H. Briggs for Baptist Orphanage.....		$ 61 95
By amount paid F. H. Briggs for Greenville church debt.		26 00
By amount paid F. H. Briggs for Bryan House.....		1 00
By amount paid J. M. McManaway, balance due on education		19 10
By amount paid N. Biggs, Associational Missions.....		25 00
By amount paid Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes,		48 46
By amount paid Clerk's fee		25 00
By amount paid stationery and mailing MS.....		50
By amount paid 50 blank church letters and mailing same,		60
		$420 69
Total balance due Association.....		39 97
	$460 66	$460 66

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX,
Treasurer.

FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE.

Churches.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Education.	Baptist Orphanage.	Minute Fund.	Sunday-school Board.	Total.
Antioch	$	$	$ 6 00	$	$	$	$	$	$ 6 00
Bear Swamp	1 00	1 00	100 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	1 50	.....	114 50
Bethel	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	5 50
Brown's	.....	.....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	77 00
Cedar Rock	2 00	1 00	15 00	1 00	3 00	.....	2 00	.....	24 00
Cypress Chapel	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	6 00
Conoconary	.....	.....	37 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 00
Corinth	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	5 00	1 50	.....	21 50
Dawson's	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
Elm Grove	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	4 00
Enfield	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Ephesus	3 50	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	25 00
Enterprise	1 50	1 00	5 00	50	.....	1 00	40	.....	9 40
Fishing Creek	50	.....	15 00	50	1 00	1 00	.....	.....	18 00
Free Chapel	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	5 75
Gardner's	.....	.....	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	2 00	.....	42 00
Greenville	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	41 50
Harriss Chapel	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	16 50
Hamilton	.....	.....	25 00	.....	5 00	.....	1 50	.....	31 50
Hickory	.....	.....	15 00	6 77	.....	3 00	1 22	.....	25 99
Johns' Chapel	1 09	.....	5 00	73	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 82
Littleton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	75
Louisburg	10 00	10 00	75 00	5 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	101 00
Mt. Zion	1 00	1 00	25 00	1 00	5 00	4 25	1 50	.....	38 75
Mt. Lebanon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	50
Mt. Hebron	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon	50	.....	5 00	4 00	.....	1 50	1 50	.....	12 50
Maple Springs	7 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	9 76
Middleburg	.....	.....	12 50	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	15 50
Nashville	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	9 00
New Bethel	10 00	.....	10 00	.....	2 50	1 00	1 00	.....	24 50
New Hope	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	5 75
Poplar Springs	.....	3 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	21 00
Pactolus	.....	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	1 00	.....	11 00
Pine Forest	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Pleasant Grove	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	11 50
Peach Tree	.....	.....	7 00	1 20	.....	.....	1 55	.....	9 75
Philadelphia	1 75	.....	11 00	.....	.....	3 57	1 10	.....	17 42
Quankin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Red Bud	.....	60	5 00	.....	2 50	.....	1 00	.....	9 10
Rocky Mount	5 00	5 00	20 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	1 00	2 50	53 50
Rehoboth	1 18	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 35	.....	12 53
Rock Spring	2 50	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	19 00
Roanoke	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	16 00
Reedy Creek	.....	.....	6 95	.....	10 00	.....	2 00	.....	18 95
Sulphur Springs	1 20	.....	4 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	8 20
Social Plain	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	5 50
Scotland Neck	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	201 50
Sharpsburg	1 00	.....	5 00	.....	3 00	50	50	.....	10 00
Sharon	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	26 50
Samaria	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	12 50
Sandy Creek	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	6 50
Shiloh	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	12 00
Turkey Branch	1 00	1 00	8 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 15	.....	13 15
Toisnot	.....	.....	10 00	3 00	2 00	.....	1 00	.....	16 00
Tarboro	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	1 00
Williamston	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	52 00
Warren Plains	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 42	.....	11 42
Warrenton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	2 00
Wilson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	2 50
Washington	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. W. Sledge	.....	.....	2 50	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	5 00
E. W. Timberlake	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
W. M. Warren	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Totals	$60 48	$23 60	$1,087 45	$39 70	$80 50	$33 82	$68 44	$2 50	.....

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Clerks and P. O. Address.	Baptisms.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	James T. Parker, Heathville				4	1	2		64
Bear Swamp	Henry Connell, Brinkleyville	11				1	1	8	127
Bethel	D. H. James, Bethel	5	3						23
Brown's	Howard Allen, Shatter	18	5	1	3	3			121
Conoconary	E. C. Pitman, Crowell	12	2		4	1	2		169
Corinth	E. W. Green, Epsom	2	4		5	2	1		91
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	7	9	5					140
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Pine View	1	12	2	1	12			75
Dawson's	J. H. Branch, Dawson's X Roads	6	1	2	4		1		94
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield								20
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	9	3		4	6	1		68
Elm Grove	E. H. Weaver, Nashville, N. C	5		6	3	18	3		93
Enterprise	Charlie Bobbitt, Littleton		3				2		42
Free Chapel	T. A. Boon, Nashville	6		1	3		1		44
Fishing Creek	Miles Bobbitt, Ringwood	2	2	1	3	4			64
Greenville	D. J. Whichard, Greenville	15	1	1	12	2	3		94
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	2			5	1	3		146
Harriss Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola				1				73
Hickory	James T. Sexton, Battleboro	9	3			2			70
Hamilton	R. B. Salsbury, Hamilton	8	1	1		3	1		72
Johns' Chapel	B. W. Tippett, Stanhope	7	6		2	1			59
Louisburg	E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg	1	3		5	4	2		103
Littleton	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton		4	1	3				73
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg		2						33
Mt. Lebanon	T. R. Batchelor, Nashville	4	1			3			25
Mt. Vernon	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	19							38
Mt. Zion	George H. Cooper, Laurel	5	2	1	3	1	1		115
Mt. Hebron	E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge								94
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	1	1		6	3	1	15	106
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	5							30
New Bethel	R. H. Duke, Epsom		2	1	2	9	2		143
New Hope	A. J. Rice, Wilson	20	1		5		3		53
Philadelphia	W. B. Bunting, Nashville	13	1		4	4	1		165
Pleasant	V. B. Matthews, Nashville	16	4	3		1	4		97
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus	13							27
Pine Forest	David L. Beach, Everett's				3	1	1		36
Poplar Springs	John Griffin, Sutton	8	2	6	6	5	6		238
Peach Tree	J. H. Edwards, Hunt's		2		7	4	4	13	170
Quankin	J. J. Cullom, Weldon								105
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek		1	2	6	7	1		200
Rocky Mount	H. D. Avera, Rocky Mount	3	1		5		2		48
Red Bud	Samuel Harper, Castalia				5	5	2		158
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	9	3		6	3	4		111
Rehoboth	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount	7		1	1	1	2		94
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg	2							12
Sandy Creek	N. Davis, Cedar Rock	13	1	1	1	1	1		195
Sulphur Springs	J. L. Rodgers, Brodie	9	4			1			42
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	54	6	1		1	1		248
Social Plain	J. S. Hagwood, Union Hope	1			5	4			36
Shiloh	R. S. Taylor, Kittrell	11	1	4	19	8	15	568	568
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains		3		2	3	3		116
Samaria	D. S. Coon, Pine View	17	5	2	3	33	2		227
Turkey Branch	W. J. Mohorn, Ringwood	5	2	3	7	2	2		61
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	1							41
Tarboro	E. O. Moor, Tarboro	18	1		1				60
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	7	2		1		1		54
Williamston	S. F. Williams, Williamston	3	4	2	4		2		41
Wilson	J. J. Atkinson, Wilson	11	10		14	3			166
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	7	6	2	4	1	6		93
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	13	7	1	2	1			92
Washington									
	Totals	421	137	51	184	166	90	604	6,072

61 churches

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents and P. O. Address.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes.	No. Kind Words Taken.	Baptist Teacher.	Other Papers.	No. Mos. kept open.	Contributed for all Objects.
Bear Swamp	Robert Harvey, Brinkleyville	6	40	30						$
Bethel	D. A. James, Bethel	4	57	30				36	12	12 00
Brown's	J. A. Tunstall, Brookston	8	70	55				9		7 56
Conoconary	E. C. Pitman, Crowell	10	30	25	50		6	50	12	40 00
Corinth	E. W. Green, Epsom	6	30	20						
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	14	75	60	100			70	12	37 00
Enfield	John J. Marshall, Enfield	6	21	15	50			37		13 64
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	11	30	20	100				6	
Elm Grove	R. J. Weaver, Nashville	14	120	75	50				6	1 00
Enterprise	Henry Bobbitt, Littleton	6	55	40	56		1		12	31 60
Greenville	J. H. Tucker, Greenville	16	99	80	536		36	96	12	120 00
No. 1	D. J. Whichard, Greenville	5	100	50	50		12	24	12	33 00
No. 2	Miss Annie Bynum, Farmville	4	50	40	30			36	4	4 00
No. 3		5	50				2	57	5	40 00
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	16	63	50					12	18 11
Harriss Chapel	W. E. Mabry, Essex	8	30	20	50				5	2 00
Hickory	W. S. Dozier, Gold Rock	6	30	18				35	9	
Hamilton	F. P. Roberson, Hamilton	13	61	45	50		5	60	12	27 24
Johns' Chapel	John T. Fulford, Stanhope	5	82	46		30			6	4 32
Louisburg	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg	11	85	67		65			12	40 00
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	7	67	45	150	20	7	20	12	40 00
Mt. Zion	George H. Cooper, Laurel	8	78	59	100		5		9	49 10
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	6	65	35			5	32	12	15 00
New Bethel	B. F. Stainback, Epsom	8	50	30						
New Hope	H. D. Ellis, Wilson	4	34	25					5	
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus	6	53	35	53	5		72	9	15 00
Poplar Springs	John H. Chevis, Sutton	21	210	150					12	16 00
Reedy Creek	A. N. Cullon, Creek	9	65	35					6	5 00
Rocky Mount	H. D. Avera, Rocky Mount	9	45	35	175		5	60	12	91 00
Red Bud	S. R. Pierce, Centerville	9	60	40					6	
Rock Spring	B. F. Wilder, Louisburg		80	40					6	3 67
Rehoboth	E. T. Barkley, Rocky Mount	7	100	60	10					
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Laurel	10	125	75	120				9	
Scotland Neck	Dr. R. M. Johnson, Scotland Neck	18	200	150	750	150	15	250	12	300 00
Sharon	N. G. Perkinson, Warren Plains	10	68	40				61	12	12 70
Samaria	B. F. Strickland, Wakefield	7	75	60				12	12	
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	8	80	60	30		5		12	18 00
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	18	180	150					12	60 00
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	6	30	24			5	64	12	40 00
Williamston	Samuel F. Williams, Williamston	12	90	65		60		65	12	43 00
Wilson	George W. Blount, Wilson	13	75	60	200		15	150	12	75 00
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	15	89	37	175			101	12	16 16
Warrenton	J. W. Williams, Warrenton	15	90	55	250			160	12	46 23
	Totals	400	3,187	2,151	3,135	330	124	1,588		$1,377 33

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Education.	Associational Missions.	Baptist Orphanage.	Building Purposes.	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Sunday-school Board.	Bryan House.	Total for all Objects.
Antioch	$	$	$	$	$	$ 6 00	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 6 00
Bear Swamp	.....	1 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	100 00	1 00	.....	.....	10 00	1 50	.....	.....	124 50
Bethel	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	420 00	11 20	22 35	50	.....	.....	514 05
Brown's	150 00	11 00	6 00	4 42	6 76	75 00	29 41	721 00	190 00	1 37	2 00	.....	.....	483 75
Conoconary	300 00	5 00	.....	7 44	5 00	40 00	25 00	.....	50 00	100 00	1 00	.....	.....	543 44
Corinth	120 00	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	141 50
Cedar Rock	125 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	3 00	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	149 00
Cypress Chapel	35 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	41 00
Dawson's	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	5 00	.....	60 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	235 00
Enfield	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	24 00	.....	.....	.....	126 00
Ephesus	75 00	3 50	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	100 00
Elm Grove	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	81 50
Enterprise	100 00	1 50	1 00	50	.....	5 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	109 40
Free Chapel	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	30 75
Fishing Creek	100 00	.....	50	50	1 00	15 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	118 00
Greenville	500 00	18 00	.....	10 00	.....	40 00	22 00	142 00	183 00	513 00	1 50	.....	.....	1,429 50
Gardner's	150 00	16 25	18 94	10 75	20 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	20 37	2 00	.....	.....	258 31
Harriss Chapel	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50	2 00	.....	120 50
Hickory	.....	.....	.....	6 77	.....	12 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	1 85	.....	.....	23 12
Hamilton	250 00	2 80	6 46	.....	5 00	25 00	5 21	30 00	30 00	37 10	1 50	.....	.....	403 07
Johns' Chapel	22 00	1 09	.....	71	55	5 00	.....	20 00	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	50 00
Louisburg	550 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	22 89	95 00	30 00	.....	75 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	789 80
Littleton	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	.....	25 00	65 50	75	.....	.....	103 25
Middleburg	.....	.....	.....	1 00	2 00	12 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 50
Mt. Lebanon	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	50	.....	.....	40 50
Mt. Vernon	60 00	50	.....	4 00	.....	2 00	1 50	.....	250 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	319 50
Mt. Zion	150 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	25 00	4 25	.....	20 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	208 75
Maple Springs	100 00	7 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	199 76
Mt. Hebron	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nashville	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	84 50
New Bethel	100 00	10 00	.....	.....	2 50	10 00	1 00	.....	.....	4 27	1 00	.....	.....	128 77
New Hope	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	.....	55 75

Philadelphia	150 00	1 75				11 00	3 57				1 10			167 42
Pleasant Grove						10 00					1 50			11 50
Pactolus	100 00				5 00	5 00		30 00	5 00	15 00	1 00			161 00
Pine Forest		2 00												2 00
*Poplar Springs	150 00	7 08			50 00	15 00	7 34		5 40	31 10	3 00		5 00	278 22
Peach Tree						7 00					1 55			8 55
Reedy Creek	100 00				10 00	4 95	5 00				2 00			126 95
†Rocky Mount	300 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	20 00	10 00		45 00		1 00	2 50		594 50
Red Bud		60			2 50	5 00				8 80	1 00			17 30
Rock Spring	2 50	11 86				15 00					1 50			30 86
Rehoboth	150 00	5 18				10 00	6 34				1 25			172 77
Sharpsburg				1 00	3 00	5 00	50				50			10 00
Sandy Creek						5 00					1 50			6 50
Sulphur Springs	100 00	1 20				1 00	1 00	149 00			1 00			153 49
Scotland Neck	1,000 00	10 00	20 00	12 00	25 00	200 00	200 00		110 00	250 00	1 50			1,828 50
Social Plain	30 00	2 50				5 00	5 00				50			43 00
Shiloh	100 00					10 00			150 00		2 00			262 00
Sharon	150 00	30 53	35 74	9 40	7 60	25 00	13 01		99 00	1 50	1 50	1 50		319 48
Samaria						10 00					2 50			12 50
Turkey Branch	75 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 28	8 00	1 00				1 15			90 43
Toisnot	125 00			3 00	2 00	10 00			15 00		1 00			156 00
Tarboro	600 00	10 00	5 00	4 85	5 00	23 00	60 00	350 00	65 00	180 00	1 00			1,303 85
Weldon	200 00	23 27	12 50	5 00	15 00	15 00	36 99		289 93	23 00	1 00	6 29		629 98
Williamston	159 00	2 61	5 10			50 00	18 47	75 00	45 00	94 00	2 00			401 18
Wilson	600 00				10 00		15 00		237 00	18 25	2 50			887 75
Warren Plains	100 00		3 30			10 00			15 00	3 44	1 42			133 16
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Washington														
Totals	$8,491 00	$244 38	$171 40	$113 60	$274 90	$1,072 45	$519 59	$1,277 89	$2,574 45	$1,530 30	$67 22	$12 29	$5 00	$15,882 60

*Yates Memorial, $4,20.

†Sunday-school Library, $39. Contributed for Sunday-school purposes, $52.

MINUTES

OF THE

FIFTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tar River Association,

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT GARDNER'S, WARREN COUNTY,

October 10th, 11th and 12th, 1889.

THE NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT GREENVILLE, PITT COUNTY, THURSDAY BEFORE THE SECOND SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1890.

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PROCEEDINGS.

GARDNER'S, WARREN COUNTY, N. C.,
Thursday, October 10, 1889.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Session of the Tar River Association met with the church here to-day. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. George M. Duke, from Matt. 25:21—"Well done, thou good and faithful servant." All who were so fortunate as to hear this sermon will bear us out in saying that it was one of Bro. Duke's best, and its impressions will doubtless be carried to the homes of each and every hearer with happy results.

After an intermission of one hour, the Association re-assembled, and was led in prayer by J. W. Powell.

Bros. G. L. Finch and J. H. Tucker were appointed Reading Clerks.

J. A. Coppedge and J. R. Rodwell were appointed as Finance Committee.

The roll of churches was then called and delegates enrolled, as follows:

ANTIOCH—A. J. Hardy, J. E. Robertson.
BEAR SWAMP—W. E. Bowers, N. Chichester, Z. Perkinson.
BETHEL—Rev. G. L. Finch.
BROWN'S—J. W. Smithwick.
CONOCONARY—
CORINTH—
CEDAR ROCK—J. A. Coppedge, S. R. Boon, M. T. Boon.
CYPRESS CHAPEL—W. B. Stallings.
DAWSON'S—
ENFIELD—
EPHESUS—W. W. Batchelor.
ELM GROVE—E. H. Weaver, G. T. Cooper.
ENTERPRISE—Henry Bobbitt.
FREE CHAPEL—T. T. Rowland.
FISHING CREEK—W. W. Rosser, T. T. Rowland.
GREENVILLE—J. H. Tucker.
GARDNER'S—
HARRIS CHAPEL—T. P. Harris, E. H. Davis.
HICKORY—J. M. Edwards, H. B. S. Pitt.
HAMILTON—
JOHN'S CHAPEL—By letter.
LOUISBURG—H. L. McGhee, E. W. Timberlake, W. M. Allen.
LITTLETON—L. W. Bagley, John Williams.
MIDDLEBURG—J. T. Mills, C. J. Burton.
MT. LEBANON—
MT. VERNON—J. M. Neal, A. C. Thomas, T. D. Wright.
MT. HEBRON—E. J. Lanier, C. E. Daniel, J. K. Dickson.
MT. ZION—T. G. Gupton, J. J. Ward, W. J. Neal.
MAPLE SPRINGS—J. M. Stallings, A. W. Perry, C. T. Stokes.
NASHVILLE—
NEW BETHEL—George T. Dickie, Sam. Hix.
NEW HOPE—
PHILADELPHIA—T. M. Duke, M. S. Griffin.
PLEASANT GROVE—G. Coggin, George Bain.
PACTOLUS—Rev. G. L. Finch.
PINE FOREST—
POPLAR SPRINGS—J. A. Pippin.
PEACH TREE—G. A. Gardner, D. S. Thomas, G. Rice.

QUANKEY—E. Hamel, Willie Green.
REEDY CREEK—W. T. Robertson, S. E. Lancaster, James Duke
ROCKY MOUNT—H. D. Avera. J. J. Coley.
RED BUD—T. S. Collie, S. R. Pearce.
ROCK SPRINGS—J. J. Bobbitt, C. H. Wheelas, B. F. Wilder.
REHOBOTH—W. B. Harper, A. C. Cooley, J. C. Cooley.
SHARPSBURG—
SANDY CREEK—B. B. Collins.
SULPHUR SPRINGS—John G. Falkner, James A. Shepherd.
SCOTLAND NECK—Noah Biggs, J. D. Hufham.
SOCIAL PLAINS—
SHEARIN—N. J. Perkinson, P. P. Perkinson.
SAMARIA—
TURKEY BRANCH—D. C. Thrower.
TOISNOT—
TARBORO—
WELDON—W. E. Daniel.
WILLIAMSTON—
WILSON—M. L. Lee.
WARREN PLAINS—T. W. Shearin, Mingo W. Harris.
WARRENTON—R. D. Fleming, J. R. Rodwell.
WASHINGTON—

The Association then went into permanent organization, re-electing the former officers.

W. E. Bowers, the Moderator, extended an invitation to visiting brethren, which was promptly accepted by Bros. C. Durham, on the part of the State Mission Board; John Mitchell, for the Board of Education; J. S. Dill, for the Home Mission Board, and C. T. Bailey, for the *Biblical Recorder*.

The Executive Committee for next year was then appointed, viz.: W. E. Bowers, N. Biggs, E. W. Timberlake, C. M. Cooke, W. E. Daniel and N. L. Shaw.

The report on State Missions was read by Bro. Durham, for the committee, and the discussion of it was postponed till to-morrow.

Next was the report on Home Missions, prepared, read and very ably discussed by Bro. Dill, and adopted by the body. [See Appendix.]

A motion was made and adopted that all letters coming in after this day be handed in to the Finance Committee without being publicly read.

The church at Shiloh sent in a request to be granted a letter of dismissal to unite with another association, and it having stood well with this body, the letter was granted.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Coppedge.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, October 11, 9:30 o'clock.

The Association assembled, and devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. S. Dill.

The record of yesterday was read, corrected and approved.

The report on Education was read by W. B. Morton, discussed by Bro. John Mitchell, and adopted. [See Appendix.]

The report on State Missions was again read by Bro. Durham, and discussed at some length and in a forceful manner by the same brother, and was then adopted. [See Appendix.]

The special report on Associational Missions was read by Bro. Hufham, and, after discussion by Bros. Taylor, Dill and Hufham, the roll of

churches was called and the following amounts were pledged by churches and individuals:

Scotland Neck	$ 300 00	Bethel	$ 5 00
Louisburg	150 00	Cypress Chapel	5 00
W. E. Bowers	100 00	Enterprise	5 00
Warrenton	100 00	Free Chapel	5 00
J. D. Hufham	100 00	John's Chapel	5 00
Tarboro	50 00	Mt. Hebron (E. J. L.)	5 00
Williamston	50 00	Pine Forest	5 00
Greenville	50 00	Peach Tree	5 00
Bear Swamp	50 00	Sandy Creek (B. B. C.)	5 00
Sharon	25 00	Social Plains	5 00
Mt. Zion	25 00	Jesse Carter	5 00
G. M. Duke	35 00	G. L. Finch	5 00
Hamilton	30 00	M. S. Griffin	5 00
Rocky Mount	30 00	Mrs. H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
Reedy Creek	25 00	H. B. S. Pitt	6 00
Wilson	25 00	S. R. Pearce	5 00
Poplar Springs	20 00	O. C. Stallings	5 00
Rehoboth	20 00	Washington, G. L. F.	5 00
Conoconary	20 00	J. M. Edwards	6 00
Corinth	20 00	Elm Grove	5 00
Cedar Rock	25 00	Mrs. E. W. Timberlake	5 00
Weldon	20 00	J. F. Love	5 00
Gardner's	20 00	J. M. Neal	5 00
Philadelphia	20 00	Pantego	5 00
B. F. Briggs	25 00	J. A. Tunstall	5 00
Ephesus	20 00	S. M. Watson	5 00
Hickory	20 00	Pleasant Grove	5 00
Maple Springs	25 00	Walter Allen	5 00
Dawson's	15 00	Mrs. Sherrod Sledge	5 00
Harris Chapel	15 00	W. B. Morton	5 00
Mt. Vernon	15 00	D. C. Thrower	4 00
Rock Spring	15 00	R. D. Harper	3 00
Pactolus	15 00	T. S. Collie	2 50
Antioch	10 00	G. Rice	2 50
Fishing Creek	10 00	G. A. Gardner	2 50
New Bethel	10 00	W. D. Carter	2 50
New Hope	10 00	W. T. Wilder	2 50
Quankey	10 00	J. J. Bobbitt	2 50
Red Bud	10 00	V. B. Carter	3 50
Sharpsburg	10 00	J. W. Smithwick	2 50
Samaria	10 00	J. W. Allen	2 50
A. G. Willcox	10 00	Mt. Lebanon	2 00
C. M. Cooke	10 00	H. H. Nicholson	2 00
J. W. Sledge	10 00	Miss Maggie Pitt	3 00
Nashville	10 00	Mrs. Henry Bobbitt	1 50
N. Biggs	10 00	J. A. Shepperd	1 00
R. D. Fleming	10 00	W. W. Batchelor	1 00
C. T. Bailey	10 00	C. M. Bartholomew	1 00
W. E. Daniel	10 00	Jesse Reed	1 00
J. H. Tucker	10 00	W. T. Cooper	1 00
E. W. Timberlake	10 00	W. B. Stallings	1 00
Toisnot	10 00	J. J. Cooper	1 00
Warren Plains	10 00	Mrs. M. E. Griffin	1 00
L. W. Bagley	10 00	Cash	75
Mrs. Dr. Fleming	10 00		
Free Chapel	5 00		$ 1,899 75

It is the sense of this body that the churches not pledging will make up the $100 lacking to make the $2,000 asked for.

Report on Periodicals read by Bro. G. L. Finch, and discussed in an earnest manner by Dr. C. T. Bailey.

Report adopted. [See Appendix.]

The Treasurer of the Executive Committee offered his report, which was referred to the Auditor, J. H. Tucker. After examination, he reported the same to be correct.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the report on the Orphanage next claimed the attention of the body. In the absence of the report, the Moderator called on Bro. J. H. Mills, who gave us a fine discussion on the subject of our duty to the orphans, after which the following amounts were raised in cash and pledges for this work:

Warrenton (paid)	$ 10 00	Cash	25
Littleton Sabbath-school	5 00	Geo. Dickie	1 00
Wilson	10 00	A. G. Willcox (paid)	1 00
Scotland Neck	10 00	T. G. Gupton (paid)	1 00
Hickory	5 00	W. W. Rosser (paid)	50
Brown's	10 00	Sandy Creek	2 00
Corinth	5 00	Cash	20 00
Weldon	10 00	G. L. Finch (paid)	50
J. M. Neal (paid)	2 00	Bear Swamp	5 00
B. F. Wilder (paid)	1 00	Miss N. D. Fleming (paid)	1 00
J. J. Ward (paid)	1 00	R. D. Harper (paid)	50
G. M. Duke (paid)	1 00	Peach Tree	5 00
Dr. R. D. Fleming (paid)	25 00	Mount Zion	5 00
T. R. Bowers (paid)	5 00	M. D. Lee (paid)	1 00
J. H. Duke (paid)	50	Philadelphia	10 00
J. W. Rodwell (paid)	1 00		
Cash	1 00	Total	$156 75
Van Carter	50		

The Moderator appointed the following brethren as a Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for next meeting of the Association: A. W. Perry, M. Duke, and N. Biggs.

Also, the following standing committees were appointed:

On Sunday-schools—J. H. Tucker.
On Obituaries—G. M. Duke.
On State Missions—L. W. Bagley.
On Foreign Missions—M. S. Read.
On Education—E. W. Timberlake.
On Associational Missions—C. M Cooke.
On Orphanage—R. D. Fleming.
On Periodicals—J. W. Allen.
On Home Missions—W. E. Daniel.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. T. J. Taylor.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, October 12, 9:30 o'clock.

The Association convened, and devotional exercises were led by Rev. M. S. Reid.

The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and adopted.

The report on Sunday-schools was read by Bro. W. E. Daniel, discussed by Bros. J. F. Love and M. L. Shaw, and adopted. [See Appendix.]

The roll of churches was called and pledges taken for Ministerial Education, as follows:

Bear Swamp	$ 5 00	Pactolus	$ 5 00
Bethel	2 50	Poplar Springs	5 00
Brown's	5 00	Quankey	5 00
Cypress Chapel	1 00	Reedy Creek	10 00
Cedar Rock	5 00	Rocky Mount	5 00
Ephesus	1 00	Red Bud	2 00
Elm Grove	2 50	Rock Springs	1 00
Enterprise	1 00	Rehoboth	5 00
Fishing Creek	5 00	Sharpsburg	2 00
Greenville	10 00	Sandy Creek (B. B. C.)	1 00
Gardner's	20 00	Sulphur Springs	1 00
Harris Chapel	1 00	Scotland Neck	25 00
Louisburg	20 00	Sharon	5 00
Littleton	10 00	D. C. Thrower	1 00
Mt. Zion	5 00	Toisnot	1 00
Mt. Hebron	1 00	Wilson	15 00
Maple Springs	5 00	Warren Plains	1 00
New Hope	2 50		
Philadelphia	3 00	Total	$190 50

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. M. S. Reid, and ably discussed by brethren Reid, Hufham and Taylor. Report adopted. [See Appendix.]

The brethren whose names appear below are appointed to look after Foreign and Home and Indian Missions in their respective churches, and are urgently requested to take at least one collection during the year for each of these objects. Their post-office address is given that they may be supplied with literature by the representatives of these Boards:

ANTIOCH—James T. Parker, Heathville.
BEAR SWAMP—Henry Connell, Brinkleyville.
BETHEL—D. H. James, Bethel.
BROWN'S—Howard Allen, Shatter.
CONOCONARY—E. C. Pittman, Crowell's.
CORINTH—E. W. Green, Epsom.
CEDAR ROCK—J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock.
CYPRESS CHAPEL—W. B. Stallings, Pine View.
DAWSON'S—J. H. Branch, Dawson's Cross Roads.
ENFIELD—S. S. Alsop, Enfield.
EPHESUS—W. M. Warren, Spring Hope.
ELM GROVE—E. H. Weaver, Nashville.
ENTERPRISE—Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton.
FREE CHAPEL—T. A. Boon, Nashville.
FISHING CREEK—M. Bobbitt, Ringwood.
GREENVILLE—D. J. Whichard, Greenville.
GARDNER'S—J. W. Shearin, Churchill.
HARRIS CHAPEL—B. Y. Harris, Arcola.
HICKORY—J. T. Sexton, Battleboro.
HAMILTON—
JOHN'S CHAPEL—B. W. Tippett, Stanhope.
LOUISBURG—E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg.
LITTLETON—W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton.
MIDDLEBURG—C. J. Barton, Middleburg.
MT. LEBANON—T. R. Batchelor, Nashville.
MT. VERNON—T. D. Wright, Battleboro.
MT. ZION—George Cooper, Laurel.
MT. HEBRON—E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge.

MAPLE SPRINGS—A. W. Perry, Mapleville.
NASHVILLE—R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville.
NEW BETHEL—R. H. Duke, Epsom.
NEW HOPE—A. J. Rice, Wilson.
PHILADELPHIA—W. B. Bunting, Nashville.
PLEASANT GROVE—V. B. Matthews, Nashville
PACTOLUS—J. B. Little, Pactolus.
PINE FOREST—D. L. Beach, Everett's.
POPLAR SPRINGS—John Griffin, Sutton.
PEACH TREE—J. H. Edwards, Hunt's.
QUANKEY—J. J. Cullen, Weldon.
REEDY CREEK—B. P. Davis, Reedy Creek.
ROCKY MOUNT—H. D. Avera, Rocky Mount.
RED BUD—Samuel Harper, Castalia.
ROCK SPRING—J. H. Odum, Louisburg.
REHOBOTH—G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount.
SHARPSBURG—G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg.
SANDY CREEK—U. Davis, Cedar Rock.
SULPHUR SPRINGS—J. L. Rodgers, Brodie.
SCOTLAND NECK—E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck.
SOCIAL PLAINS—J. S. Haywood, Union Hope.
SHARON—P. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains.
SAMARIA—D. S. Cone, Pine View.
TURKEY BRANCH—W. J. Mohorn, Ringwood.
TOISNOT—W. D. Carter, Toisnot.
TARBORO—E. O. Moore, Tarboro.
WELDON—W. E. Daniel, Weldon.
WILLIAMSTON—S. F. Williams, Williamston.
WILSON—J. J. Atkinson, Wilson.
WARREN PLAINS—W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains.
WARRENTON—E. S. Allen, Warrenton.

The report on Obituaries was read by Rev. J. D. Hufham, and was adopted by a rising vote. [See Appendix.]

The report of the Finance Committee was read and adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the undersigned Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report:

Received for Foreign Missions	$	33 35
State Missions		3 90
Home Missions		30 12
Education		93 25
Associational Missions	1,034	46
Associational Missions (individual subscriptions)	152	50
Orphanage		61 25
Sunday-school Board		2 50
Minute fund		66 78
Total	$1,478	11

We find we have one dollar and forty-three cents more cash than our report calls for.

Repectfully submitted,

JOHN A. COPPEDGE,
J. R. RODWELL,
Committee.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Hufham.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Treasurer's report was read and audited by Bro. E. W. Timberlake, and adopted by the body, as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,

In account with A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

Oct. 11, 1888.

RECEIPTS.

Balance due Association at last session	$ 39 97
Received from Finance Committee—	
For Foreign Missions	60 48
State Missions	23 60
Home and Indian Missions	39 70
Education	80 50
Orphanage	33 82
Minute fund	68 44
Sunday-school Board	2 50
Cash collection for Orphanage (Saturday)	46 27
Cash collection for Orphanage (Sunday)	27 62
Cash collection for State Missions	7 96
Total	$430 86

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid F. H. Briggs for Foreign Missions	$ 60 48	
F. H. Briggs for State Missions	23 60	
C. Durham for State Missions	7 96	
F. H. Briggs for Home and Indian Missions	39 70	
F. H. Briggs for Education	80 50	
F. H. Briggs for Sunday-school Board	2 50	
P. H. Pernell for Orphanage	80 09	
P. H. Pernell for Orphanage (Sunday collection)	27 62	
C. T. Bailey for printing minutes	45 00	
Clerks	25 00	
Mailing manuscript, stationery, etc	46	
Fifty blank church letters, and mailing same	75	
Total	$393 66	
Balance due Association	37 20	
		$430 86

Respectfully submitted, A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

The Committee on Time, Place and Preachers reported, as follows:

Place—Greenville Memorial Church. *Time*—Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1890. *Preachers*—Rev. G. M. Duke to preach on Wednesday night before, and J. W. Hundley to preach the Introductory Sermon Thursday morning; Rev. T. J. Taylor to preach the Denominational Sermon, and Rev. Baylus Cade to preach the Missionary Sermon.

N. BIGGS,
A. W. PERRY,
M. T. DUKE,
Committee.

The following resolution, offered by Bro. T. J. Taylor, was adopted:

Resolved, That we commend to the churches composing this Association the action of the Sunday-school Convention relating to building a church at Hobgood's in memory of our beloved brethren, R. B. Salisbury and John Watson.

The Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of minutes printed, and to receive the usual compensation for his services.

It was moved by Bro. Hufham that the balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the Association, after paying for the minutes, Clerk's fees, etc., be turned over to the Treasurer of the Executive Committee for Associational Missions. Carried.

Bro. Hufham moved that the Secretary be instructed to have blank church letters prepared so that the churches and delegates' names could be detached from the letter and handed over to the Secretary for enrollment, and the letters turned over to the Finance Committee, without consuming the time of the Association in reading the same. Carried.

Members of this Association who may be present at the Baptist State Convention were constituted delegates.

Rev. J. D. Hufham was appointed delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

The following resolution of thanks, offered by Bro. J. H. Tucker, was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Association tenders its thanks to this church and community for entertaining the body so well and hospitably.

Bro. Timberlake moved that the collection to-morrow be applied to State Missions. Carried.

The Association adjourned to meet with the church at Greenville on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1890.

W. E. BOWERS,
Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX,
Clerk.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

DISBURSEMENTS.

To cash,	J. W. Powell, Battleboro, Nashville and Rocky Mt	$ 145 00
"	J. F. Love, Beaufort County	140 00
"	J. A. Leslie, Mildred and Eagle's Store	50 00
"	J. W. Sledge	50 00
"	J. W. Willoughby, Nashville	20 00
"	T. P. Lide, Enfield	10 00
"	J. W. Wildman, Pitt County	50 00
"	G. W. Coppedge	60 00
"	R. D. Harper	25 00
"	L. M. Curtis, Halifax County	300 00
"	G. J. Dowell, Martin and Pitt Counties	250 00
"	C. L. Dowell, Martin County	62 50
"	R. E. Peele, Enfield	30 00
"	J. W. Hundley, Ex., Pitt and Edgecombe Counties	20 00
"	G. L. Finch, Pitt County	50 00
"	J. R. Pace, Ex., to Halifax County	15 00
"	A. G. Willcox	15 00
		$1,292 50

RECEIPTS.

By cash	on hand from last year	$ 119 97	
"	of Finance Committee	1,082 45	
"	of Mr. Briggs	5 00	
"	of M. T. Duke	6 12	
"	of Dawson's Church	5 00	
"	of Quankey	10 00	
"	of Mt. Hebron	5 00	
		$1,233 54	
Amount due Treasurer to date, paid out by him		58 96	
			$1,292 50

Your Auditor begs leave to report: That he has examined the account of Noah Biggs, Treasurer of Tar River Association, and finds the same to be correct.

J. H. TUCKER,
Auditor.

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES (PAID) ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Mrs. Sherrard Sledge	$ 5 00	A. G. Willcox	$ 5 00
W. H. Pery	10 00	R. D. Harper	2 00
Mrs. Dr. Jackson	5 00	C. M. Cooke	20 00
Mrs. Don Jackson	5 00	E. W. Timberlake	10 00
J. Webb	5 00	J. H. Upperman	5 00
Walter Lewis	5 00	W. H. Allen	5 00
Rev. G. M. Duke	25 00	J. H. Nicholson	5 00
P. Harris	5 00	J. M. Neal	5 00
B. S. Pitt and wife	10 00	J. W. Sledge	5 00
M. Stallings	5 00	Cash	50
M. Boone	5 00		
M. T. Willcox	5 00	Total	$152 50

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Since the last session of your body two men, who loved your gatherings and your work, have passed to their final rest. Princely men they were. Their names are written on high, and they deserve to be held in loving remembrance by us who remain. The first of them is

JOHN WATSON,

Of Warren County. He was of Scotch ancestry. His grandfather, when a boy, was apprenticed to a nail-maker in his native land. On some disagreement of a personal character with his employee, he came to Baltimore and settled, earning a comfortable living and something more by honest labor. Removing to North Carolina, he married and settled. After a good many years, he went to Georgia, with all the family, save one son, William. William was prospered, specially in the matter of children. He had five sons and five daughters. John being the second son.

These matters of family history enable us to understand how John Watson came to be the man that he was. The large and powerful frame; the rugged and strongly-marked but benevolent face; the thoughtful brow; the eye that sparkled with mirthfulness, or glistened with tenderness, or glowed with the fire of lofty purpose; the deeply religious nature; the steady enthusiasm which sometimes burned with white heat; the tireless industry and unflagging energy which held out to the last; the sense of order which ruled in all his plans and undertakings; the careful and wise economy which continued ever in the midst of abundance; the stern sense of right; the sound judgment which held him back from wild speculations or rash undertakings—all this was a part of his inheritance from the Scotch stock of which he came.

He was fortunate in his school-life. It closed at Wake Forest College. He was there in the heroic age of the institution, when it was training such men as Matthew T. Yates, the apostle to the Chinese, and John L. Prichard, who crowned a noble life with a martyr's death. Henceforward he was the firm and consistent friend and advocate of education. Young ministers, struggling with adverse fate to fit themselves for the best work that they could do in their high calling, found in him a wise, tender and liberal helper. His devotion to the College burned with a steady flame. In all the efforts to endow it he bore a prominent part. In the final movement, which raised the endowment to a hundred thousand dollars, he gave the first thousand.

Of his marriage and settlement as a planter in his native county; of his pride in his calling and his desire to be a master in it; of his abounding activity and his careful attention to all the details of the work; of his spacious and elegant home; of his happiness in the society of his family; of the large and cordial hospitality which he exercised; of his benefactions to the poor and the distressed; of his wise and firm, though humane, government of his slaves, and of his kindness to them after they were set free, it is needless to speak, particularly here.

Eleven years ago your body entered with earnestness on the work of enlarging her borders. It marked the close of one era and the beginning of a new and more glorious one in our history, and its influence was felt throughout the State. It was conducted on a scale which was extensive and expensive. With this movement, from its inception, John Watson sympathized most heartily, and in it he bore a noble part. Besides his regular contributions, which were liberal, he was repeatedly called on for extraordinary gifts, and he never failed to respond. To the last, amid the wreck of bodily and mental powers, his zeal for the great enterprise was unabated.

When it was decided to establish a Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, and when the issue of the undertaking seemed doubtful, he was one of two brethren to give a thousand dollars. These two gifts placed the institution on a firm basis, and opened the way for the unexampled prosperity which has attended it—honorable to our denomination and to the age in which we live. He had a lively interest in every department of our denominational work, but he had a surpassing love for the Orphanage. To it he gave his prayers, and for its support he made frequent and large gifts as long as he lived. On him came the blessing of the fatherless, and his memory shall grow brighter so long as the bitter wail of the orphan shall sadden the earth.

He loved all our institutions and enterprises. From our annual gatherings he was absent only when he was providentially hindered; and in them all his presence was an inspiration. But he was seen to best advantage in the rounds of his daily life, and the power of his holy living was most effective in the church of which he was a member. In bearing its burdens and pushing its work; in patience towards the erring; in tender, thoughtful, helpful kindness to the suffering; in the uniform and whole-hearted support which he gave his pastor—he was a cornerstone in the house of our God.

He was twice married, and in both instances he found helpers meet for him. The second wife, a mother in Israel, survives him. Only two of his children, akin to him in faith and good works, remain. Grace had done much for him, but, like his Master, he was made perfect through suffering.

Our brother entered into rest on the 24th of June, in his 74th year.

RICHARD B. SALISBURY

Was born in Martin County, and grew up under influences that were unfriendly to the Baptists. In 1861, when nineteen years of age, he enlisted as a volunteer soldier in the army of the Confederate States. Until the close of that fearful struggle he remained in the service, faithfully encountering its perils, performing its labors, bearing its hardships and enduring its sufferings. While a prisoner of war at Point Lookout, it pleased the Lord to reveal unto him Jesus Christ as the Savior of men. Christ became to him the Captain of Salvation, and he carefully read through the New Testament to ascertain his duty as a Christian. The way was made clear to him. On his exchange and return to his home on furlough, in February, 1865, he was baptized into the fellowship of the church at Scotland Neck. Settling and engaging in business, he labored for the establishment of a church in Williamston. Later he married and removed to Hamilton. It was mainly to his liberality and to his personal efforts that the house of worship was built in Hamilton and the church was built up. That church was the object of his special care. To promote its interests, he spared neither his money nor his personal labors. But his heart took in and his hand sought to forward all our enterprises and institutions. In the beginning of our work of Associational Missions, no man was more liberal in proportion to his ability.

He had been in feeble health for several months, and in the spring of this year he entered into rest, leaving behind him the memory of a sweet and saintly life. A wife and several children survive him. He was cut off in the midst of his days. It is the Lord's doing and marvelous in our eyes; but He doeth all things well.

J. D. HUFHAM, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

All that has been done, all that is now being done, and all that will be done to give the gospel to the destitute of our State has been, is now, and will be properly called State Missions. This is true, whether the work has been done under appointment of our Mission Board of the Baptist State Convention, the association, local churches, or undertaken independently by an individual without appointment by any human action. The sooner this is recognized in all of our associations, the better it will be for the churches, and the more rapidly will be the growth of contributions to it from all of our people.

Our Baptist fathers, for more than one hundred years, have been actively engaged, under some form, in State Mission work. We are glad to report that during all these years this work has never been so large, so hopeful or so satisfactory in results as during the past year. The Board has had this year ninety-four missionaries and fifteen colporters at work. These have been located in the destitute villages and country neighborhoods from the sea to beyond the mountains, and their self-sacrificing labors have been most abundantly blessed of the Lord.

We recommend—

1. That our pastors keep their people well informed about the growth, needs and prospects of this work.

2. That pastors and people be requested to pray the Lord to guide them in the conduct of this work, and to bless it more abundantly in the future than in the past.

3. That the churches be asked to give more largely to the support of State Missions than ever before in the history of our denominational work.

COMMITTEE.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is located in Atlanta, Ga., with Dr. I. T. Tichenor as Corresponding Secretary. It has as its work the supplying of destitute sections of the South and Southwest. It has mission work in West Virginia, Virginia, Western North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, and Kentucky; also in the Indian Territory and Cuba.

The labors in this extended section have met with the most signal proofs of divine favor. The Board has 328 missionaries, and has received from the churches, during the past year, $69,300. There have been organized, in connection with the year's work, 328 Baptist churches, and report the reception of 8,402 new members.

The wonderful work in Cuba, under Bro. Diaz, continues with increasing power. With the house of worship, so well adapted to their needs, that has been purchased in the city of Havana, the Baptist cause is placed upon a vantage-ground from which we expect great results.

The Home Board publishes as its organ, to set forth its work, *The Home Field*, and it also publishes a full line of excellent Sunday-school literature, and these we commend to the churches.

In view of the increasing magnitude of this work, and its great need, be it

Resolved 1. That we recommend that this matter be more earnestly pressed upon the attention of our churches by the pastors.

2. That in accordance with the resolution passed by the last Baptist State Convention, we recommend that the roll of churches be called and pledges made for Home Missions as for other denominational enterprises.

J. S. DILL.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

WORK DONE.

At the last session of your body J. A. Leslie was reappointed to labor at Mildred and Eagle's Store, in Edgecombe County. At these two places good houses of worship were constructed and some twenty five people were baptized. There was material sufficient for the organization of churches but Bro. Leslie returned to Virginia and the field was left vacant. It is hoped that a good man will be found at an early day to enter this promising field.

G. L. Finch has been laboring at various points in Pitt and Greene counties, and has had the favor of the Lord with him. He has baptized twenty-nine persons and the cause throughout that region has received a fresh impulse.

Clarence Dowell was reappointed to labor in Martin County and remained on the field a few months, after which he removed to South Carolina. He was succeeded by Elder George J. Dowell, who has been richly blessed in his labors. At Pine Forest there was a gracious revival in which he baptized fifteen persons into the fellowship of the church.

J. F. Love has been laboring at Oregon Mills and Pantego, in Beaufort County, and at Bayboro, in Pamlico County. At the last-named place he has finished a house of worship. Thirty-one have been added to the churches to which he ministers and their general condition has been greatly improved.

J. M. Willoughby, who has been laboring at Nashville several years, removed to South Carolina during the summer. He was succeeded by J. W. Powell, who held a protracted meeting of some days, aided by George M. Duke; many persons were converted and baptized and the whole community was greatly stirred. Bro. Powell has also labored at Battleboro and at several other points near that place and Rocky Mount. In that field he has baptized thirty-five persons.

L. M. Curtis has been devoting himself to points in the lower end of Halifax County, and has baptized twenty-three persons.

T. P. Lide labored a few months and on his return to South Carolina was succeeded by R. E. Peele. He is kept away from this session of your body by a gracious revival in the church.

G. W. Coppedge has labored at John's Chapel and other points in Nash County and has baptized five persons.

R. D. Harper has preached at Mt. Lebanon, Nash County: and while the signs have been encouraging there have been no baptisms.

J. W. Sledge has been preaching at Sulphur Spring, Warren County. We are without report from him.

J. W. Wildman remained a few months in his mission field in Pitt County and then returned to Virginia.

A. G. Willcox has been greatly cheered in his work at Enterprise. Fourteen persons have been baptized and five others are awaiting the ordinance. Land on which to build a house of worship has been given the church, and a part of the lumber has been purchased and paid for. He hopes to have a comfortable house of worship before the next session of your body.

Besides these laborers, R. S. Pace and J. W. Hundley were engaged for a short time at places in Pitt and Halifax counties with gracious results.

In the field covered by this sketch of your mission work for the year, one hundred and sixty persons have been baptized, and this is only a small part of what has been accomplished. Surely, there is abundant reason to thank God and go forward.

WORK TO BE DONE.

While there is reason for thankfulness in reviewing your work for the year, there is also reason for fresh courage and for great enlargement

of our plans and efforts. In Edgecombe County we have but one church and two missions; at present without a preacher. In Pitt County we have four churches and but one preacher. In Beaufort County, including the town of Washington, we have three mission churches and no preacher. In Hyde County there is neither church nor preacher. In Pamlico there is only one church and one preacher. In Greene County we have one church but no preacher. In Wilson County there are also large sections in which our principles are never preached, and are, of course, but little known.

Are we not called of the Lord to enter and occupy this fine region? To do it, we shall need greatly to enlarge our plans and increase our contributions. Let us, by all means, go forward.

J. D. HUFHAM, *Chairman.*

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

A complete education fits one to perform skillfully and accurately the duties of life. It develops the mental system of the man and enables him to give a reason for what he believes.

The flourishing condition of our schools (male and female), academies and colleges argues a growing interest in education. The masses are being educated as never before.

The ministry is a calling, not a profession. That the minister has simply to open his mouth to have it filled with argument is a theory long since exploded. Solomon, in all his wisdom, could not dispense with education; for he says: "If the iron be blunt, and he do not whet the edge, then must he put to more strength; but wisdom is profitable to direct."—Ecc. 10: 10. The minister can do no more with a dull tool than others can. If an education is good for those engaged in secular pursuits, it is good for the preacher. It is economy of time and labor, for "if the iron be blunt, and he whet not the edge, then must he put to more strength."

At Wake Forest College there are 190 students. Of these, 40 are studying for the ministry; and of the ministers, 31 are unable to pay their way. There are four from this Association. Last year we contributed $274.90 for their support. Your committee urges that the churches make special efforts to double their contributions for this cause next year.

W. B. MORTON.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The press is an agent of great good or evil, for it has an acknowledged power. A properly-conducted denominational paper quickens our church members into activity and gives them renewed zeal in every department of church work.

There are a great many periodicals which we might read with much pleasure and profit; but certainly no Baptist family in North Carolina can afford to be without the *Biblical Recorder*. If we could only get all our people to read the *Recorder*, our power and usefulness as a denomination would be largely increased.

Your committee would also recommend to the members of our churches *Our Home Field*, *Charity and Children*, the *Kind Words* series, and the *Foreign Mission Journal*.

G. L. FINCH.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee would present the following report as to our Foreign Mission work:

When we consider the vastness of the work before us, only faith in the promises of the Christ who has promised to be with us "even unto the end of the world," can furnish any ground of hope as to the successful prosecution of such a work as will realize the promise of the Father to his Son, "Ask of me, and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession."

Some idea as to the magnitude of the work can be had, when we call to mind the large numbers to be won to Christ and the small force which is to accomplish it.

There are, not including the Greek Church of 84,000,000, about 1,250,000,000 of people to-day who need the gospel of Christ. Including the Greek Church, there are only about 200,000,000 of professed Christians. Many of these are practically anti-mission, so that a very small portion of the human family are doing anything for the perishing nations.

The claim as to the needs of our own Christian land is not strictly correct, as statistics prove, and our apparent destitution arises from an unequal division of the forces we have. For instance, in the United States there is one minister to every 600 persons, while in foreign lands there is one to every 500,000. Of the money raised, 98 per cent. is spent at home; only 2 per cent. in Foreign Mission work. Now, what has been the result? In foreign fields the increase last year was thirty times as great as at home in proportion to the men employed.

The field occupied by the Southern Baptist Convention includes China, Africa, Italy, Brazil and Mexico.

In Italy, Brazil and Mexico the deadliest of foes to the truth are to be encountered in Romanism. To occupy the vast territory, God seems to have committed into the hands of Southern Baptists. We have only about 150 missionaries.

Now, what are the more than 2,000,000 Southern Baptists asked to give? Only $150,000, or about 7½ cents each. North Carolina Baptists are called upon for $13,000 of this, or about 8½ cents per member. Ought we not to blush at the thought—8½ cents!

The proportion of the Tar River Association is a little over $500. Last year we gave less than one-half of it.

Shall we not do at least our part, when our noble thirty loyal men and gifted women are enduring the toil and suffering of our work?

Dr. Tupper requests that the second and third Sundays in this month be set apart as seasons of prayer for the blessing of God upon our foreign work. Let all of the churches observe this season, and if collections have not been taken for the Board since last May, your committee would recommend that this be done at that time.

Respectfully submitted, MILES S. READ.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We claim that, as Baptists, we favor and seek to encourage Sunday-schools.

In 1885, within the bounds of the Tar River Association, 2,475 persons were engaged in the Sunday-school work; in 1886, 3,135; in 1887, 3,780; and in 1888, 3,587. The committee regrets to note the falling off, as indicated by the minutes for the year 1888, and begs, respectfully, to call the attention of the denomination, in Association assembled, to the fact. And we trust that the condition that confronts us, as evidenced by this report, may have a more lasting effect than to simply occupy a small space upon our minutes for 1889.

There are over 6,000 Baptists in this Association, but, bear in mind, that the number represented as engaged in the Sunday-school work are not all members of the church; for, of whatever school you may take as an example, children who, in the future, are to make up the Baptist hosts, compose the large majority, together with "the faithful few" who act as officers and teachers.

To return to our figures, not more than one-tenth of our membership is engaged in this great and important work. The question may well be asked if this result proves that we encourage Sunday-schools.

We wish that we could suggest a remedy. We can only implore those who profess to be Christians to ask themselves if they are doing their duty in allowing this work to languish.

We profess to hold the principles as taught in God's Holy Word in their perfection. Can we excuse ourselves in our neglect to impart these truths to the thousands of young minds growing up in our midst?

The committee recommends that every pastor attend Sunday-school, and that professing Christians do their duty to this work; that each school contribute one collection in each month to the Sunday-school Board, and that each school be supplied with suitable literature.

If these suggestions are followed, the committee whose duty it will be to write on this subject in 1890 will not be grieved by a falling off in our statistics.

What is above written contains no glittering generalities. It has been our object to give a calm review of the situation on this subject, with remedies earnestly and prayerfully suggested.

W. E. DANIEL.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.
4. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.
5. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.
7. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.
8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.
9. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.
10. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
11. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.
12. An order of business, assigning a definite time to each topic to be brought before the Association, shall be made at the beginning of each session, and this order shall not be departed from in any case without unanimous consent.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11. The Association shall have power to inquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in counsel.

14. The Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	J. H. Parker, Heathsville							21	42		63
Bear Swamp	Henry Connell, Brinkleyville	19	3	2	2	4	3	60	82	7	149
Bethel	J. W. Thomas, Bethel	2						10	10		20
Brown's	Howard Allen, Shatter	1	1		1	3	2	51	73		124
Corinth	E. W. Green, Epsom	1				2	3	29	61		90
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope	3			7	3	1	23	46	2	71
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock		6		3		3	62	80		142
*Conoconary	E. C. Pittman, Crowell's										169
Dawson's	J. H. Branch, Dawson's Cross Roads										94
*Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield						1				29
Enterprise	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton	14			1			18	39		57
Elm Grove	E. H. Weaver, Nashville	14		5	2	2	1	30	77		107
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	5	3		3	2	1	26	44		70
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood		1		1	1	1	28	32		60
Free Chapel	T. A. Boone, Nashville					1	3	11	20		31
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill		2	1	3	4	3	48	81		129
Greenville	D. J. Whichard, Greenville	4	1	1	11	1	2	12	74		86
Hamilton	F. H. Robertson, Hamilton		5			5	3	25	43		68
Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock	5						24	39		63
Harris Chapel	B. Y. Harris, Arcola		2					31	42		73
John's Chapel	John T. Fulford, Stanhope	5				1	1	21	42		63
Louisburg	E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg		7		2		2	47	60		107
Littleton	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton		3		3		2	31	40		71
Mt. Vernon	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	9	1	1				23	25		48
Mt. Hebron	E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge	8		3	2	10		32	67		99
Mt. Zion	T. G. Gupton, Mapleville	5				3		42	82		124

Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville		6	1	7	1	1	28	70	15	113
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg	2	2								40
*Mt. Lebanon	T. R. Batchelor, Nashville										25
New Bethel	R. H. Duke, Epsom	27	1	2	3	8	2	54	101		155
*New Hope	A. J. Rice, Wilson										55
*Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	6	1		1			15	15		30
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus	16				1		19	22		41
Pine Forest	David L. Beach, Everett's	15		3	3	2		16	28		44
Pleasant Grove	V. B. Matthews, Nashville				1		2	27	68		95
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Dukes	3			2	2	1				159
Peach Tree	J. H. Edwards, Hunt's		3		9	8	2	59	102		161
Poplar Springs	John Griffin, Sutton	7	3	5	6	6	3	91	160		251
Quankey	J. J. Cullom, Weldon		1		1	1		39	61		100
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg		1	1	7	6	1	32	68		100
Red Bud	Samuel Harper, Castalia	22	4		5	1	3	81	114		195
Rocky Mount	H. D. Avera, Rocky Mount	17	12		2	1	1	31	41		72
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek	3	1	1	8	4	3	73	112		185
Rehoboth	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount		2	2	3	1		31	55		86
Sulphur Springs	J. H. Burroughs, Afton					2	1	18	24		42
Social Plains	J. S. Hagwood, Jr., Union Hope	23		1		1	1	22	34		56
Samaria	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope			3	1	3	4	52	143		195
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains						2	36	78		114
Sandy Creek	N. Davis, Cedar Rock		2	1		2	2	61	133		194
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	23	2	1	7	2	2	109	126		235
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg							4	8		12
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	2		1		1		22	18		40
Turkey Branch	W. J. Mohorn, Ringwood	5			4	6	1	22	33		55
*Tarboro	E. O. Moore, Tarboro										60
Williamston	A. Nelsota, Williamston	1	2		5	1	2	8	25		33
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	1	5		2	4	3				89
Wilson	D. S. Boykin, Wilson	23	7	1	6	26	1	73	99		173
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon		1		3	1		20	30		50
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	21	8		1	2	3	50	66		116
Washington											
		303	99	38	228	135	73	1,808	3,015	24	5,567

* Last year's statistics.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of scholars.	School expenses.	Contributions by school.	No. volumes in library.	No. Quarterlies taken.
Bethel	J. H. Johnston, Bethel	3	40	$ 7 57	$ 8 32	----	40
Brown's	----	8	48	15 00	----	25	24
Bear Swamp	W. E. Bowers, Brinkleyville	8	28	1 70	----	----	----
Corinth	E. W. Green, Epsom	8	50	5 09	7 00	----	36
Cypress Chapel	H. W. Wilder, Spring Hope	5	50	3 00	----	----	29
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	12	60	100 00	15 00	60	70
Enterprise	Henry Bobbitt, Littleton	6	67	32 53	1 07	56	48
Elm Grove	E. H. Weaver, Nashville	5	53	----	----	75	----
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	5	25	----	----	100	20
Enfield	J. H. Marshall, Enfield	5	17	20 00	20 00	50	22
Fishing Creek	J. C. Marks, Ringwood	7	34	----	----	----	----
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	14	60	4 30	----	----	50
Greenville	J. H. Tucker, Greenville	13	94	51 00	30 00	536	166
Hamilton	F. H. Robertson, Hamilton	10	49	34 97	41 62	100	60
Harris Chapel	W. E. Mabry, Arcola	9	30	1 00	----	25	24
John's Chapel	John F. Fulford, Stanhope	3	50	----	3 00	----	----
Louisburg	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg	7	86	45 00	60 00	45	100
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	9	55	25 00	----	108	60
Mt. Vernon	J. H. Reid, Battleboro	11	40	10 19	----	66	36
Mt. Hebron	E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge	17	115	12 00	----	----	----
Mt. Zion	George H. Cooper, Laurel	8	75	----	32 00	60	----
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	12	102	59 82	6 05	100	100
New Bethel	B. F. Stainback, Epsom	6	40	----	----	----	----
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	8	50	----	----	----	----
Pactolus	S. J. Fleming, Pactolus	6	40	12 00	----	52	72

Pleasant Grove	N. Collins, Oakland	11	38				
Poplar Springs	J. H. Cheavis, Sutton	12	150	10 00			60
Quankey	G. A. Branch, Weldon	7	70	5 00			36
Red Bud	S. R. Pearce, Centreville	6	63			300	
Rocky Mount	George L. Parker, Rocky Mount	7	50	45 00	55 00	200	150
Rehoboth	Lawson Knott, Hilliardston	8	40	5 00			30
Sulphur Springs	J. H. Burroughs, Afton	9	74	4 00	1 35		24
Social Plains	Henry C. Hagwood, Union Hope	5	91	2 40		36	40
Samaria	Eli Crickman, Spring Hope	6	50	1 53			
Sharon	N. J. Perkinson, Warren Plains	7	50	4 43	4 95	50	40
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Laurel	9	117		50	75	25
Scotland Neck	Dr. R. M. Johnson, Scotland Neck	20	200	100 00	1 60	250	250
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	9	60	25 00			100
Turkey Branch	D. C. Thrower, Vine	5	30		3 00		30
Williamston	S. F. Williams, Williamston	8	48	20 06	20 06		62
Warrenton	J. W. Williams, Warrenton	15	84	53 08	3 49	200	100
Wilson	A. N. Daniel, Wilson	17	100		50 00	200	168
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	6	41	35 04	34 58		148
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	11	97	24 65	23 50	200	126
		383	2,811	$785 27	$580 49	2,969	2,346

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	Repairs.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associa'nal Missions.	Home Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Total.
Antioch	$	$	$	$ 65	$	$	$	$ 6 00	$	$	$	$	$ 6 65
Bethel		3 00	2 00	50				5 00		2 50		9 00	22 00
Bear Swamp	150		12 00	1 25	350 00	1 00	2 00		1 00	5 00	25 00		547 25
Brown's	150		1 95	1 75		8 33	6 00	50 00	3 33	6 44	89 15	95 90	362 75
Corinth	100			2 00	78 00		5 00	5 00		6 68	5 00		201 65
Cypress Chapel	35			1 00				3 00					39 00
Cedar Rock	125	20 00	40 00	1 50				15 00		5 00			206 50
Conoconary													
Dawson's													171 46
Enfield	150	15 96			5 50								100 50
Enterprise	100			50									56 00
Elm Grove	50			1 00				5 00					96 50
Ephesus	75			1 50				20 00					132 50
Fishing Creek	100			65		1 00	35	12 50	1 00	5 00	12 00		20 50
Free Chapel	15			50		5 00					27 08		542 27
Gardner's	150		3 07	2 00	320 00	7 45	7 62	20 00	5 05		34 00	150 00	1,990 96
Greenville	500	58 87	6 00	1 00	1,150 00	17 00	27 00	28 75	9 00	9 34	5 26		426 42
Hamilton	250	29 80		1 00	100 00	2 86		30 00	2 50	5 00			76 25
Hickory	60			1 25				15 00			5 00	6 00	127 50
Harris Chapel	100			1 50				15 00		1 00	1 15	5 00	33 40
John's Chapel	20			75			50	5 00		5 00	19 00		822 86
Louisburg	500	73 92	10 39	1 25		10 00		100 00					343 74
Littleton	300	25 00		1 15		8 00	6 54		3 35				492 44
Mt. Vernon	100	233 00		1 25	133 00			15 00					151 50
Mt. Hebron	75			1 50	75 00								183 00
Mt. Zion	150			1 50				25 00		5 00	1 50		

Maple Springs	100			2 00					10 00		5 00	10 00		127 00
Middleburg	100			50		2 50	4 50				2 00	5 00		114 50
Mt. Lebanon														
Nashville	65	17 00		1 00					11 75					94 75
New Bethel	100			1 50		90			10 00	2 00	2 50	25		117 15
New Hope														
Pactolus	100	10 00		1 00					10 00		5 00	4 50	30 00	160 50
Pine Forest		2 65		25					5 00		1 50			9 40
Pleasant Grove			18 25	1 00			1 00		5 00	1 00	2 00	1 00		29 25
Philadelphia	125			1 88	3 00		1 25		15 00	3 32	1 50			150 95
Peach Tree	100			1 50	65 90				10 00	2 00			13 45	191 95
Poplar Springs	100	50 00	12 00	2 00					15 00		5 00	12 70		246 70
Quankey	100	3 00		1 00			2 85		10 00		12 35		15 38	141 73
Rock Spring				1 50					10 75					12 25
Red Bud	125			1 50			1 00		7 50		2 50	4 10		141 60
Rocky Mount	300	65 00	13 00	1 00	128 50		5 00		25 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	32 00	590 00
Reedy Creek	100		15 00	2 00		4 00	4 00		11 50		10 00	27 50	30 00	193 50
Rehoboth				1 20	2 50	1 00	1 00		13 25	1 00	1 00	1 95	4 50	26 40
Sulphur Springs	40	35 00		1 00	98 95				5 00		1 00			180 95
Social Plains			5 00	1 00					5 00					11 00
Samaria	75		1 50	2 00					10 00					88 50
Sharon				1 50	4 15	6 00	4 80		25 00	5 70	11 90	14 00	60 50	133 60
Sandy Creek	128			1 50	130 00					1 00				260 50
Scotland Neck	1,000	100 00	40 00	1 50	400 00	20 00	10 00		200 00	10 00	15 00	200 00		2,096 50
Sharpsburg	50			50		2 50	1 00			5 00	1 00			60 00
Toisnot	175	15 00		1 50		3 00	3 00			4 00				201 50
Tarboro														
Turkey Branch	100			1 00					10 00	1 45		3 35		114 80
Williamston	186	47 93		50		3 25	2 97		25 00			3 48	48 00	321 05
Warrenton	550	108 00	13 50	1 00	282 72	8 56	36 25		25 00	3 71	34 50	192 25	318 45	1,630 19
Wilson	1,000	350 00		2 50		35 50					5 00		100 00	1,498 75
Weldon	200	74 84	76 23	1 00	49 27	13 95	20 00		15 00	4 92	35 00	37 87	20 00	548 08
Warren Plains	100	22 71	13 50	1 15	9 66	6 25	5 30			1 40	1 35	5 00		165 18
Washington														
Totals	$8,244	$1,360 68	$283 36	$64 53	$2,955 25	$168 05	$158 93		$857 25	$76 73	$216 06	$757 09	$998 58	$16,640 37

FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE.

CHURCHES.	MISSIONS.			Education.	Associational Missions.	Baptist Orphanage.	Sunday-school Board.	Minutes.	Total.
	Foreign.	State.	Home.						
Antioch	$	$	$	$	$ 6 00	$	$	$ 65	$ 6 65
Bear Swamp	2 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	100 00			1 25	110 25
Bethel				2 50	5 00			50	8 00
Brown's					50 00			1 75	51 75
Conoconary					10 00				10 00
Corinth	5 00			1 68	5 00	5 00		2 00	18 68
Cedar Rock				5 00	15 00			1 50	21 50
Cypress Chapel					3 00			1 00	4 00
Dawson					10 30				10 30
Enfield									
Ephesus					20 00			1 50	21 50
Elm Grove					5 00			1 00	6 00
Enterprise								50	50
Free Chapel					5 00			50	5 50
Fishing Creek	35	1 00	1 00	5 00	12 50	1 00		65	21 50
Greenville					28 75			1 00	29 75
Gardner's					20 00			2 00	22 00
Harris Chapel					15 00			1 50	16 50
Hamilton				5 00	30 00			1 00	36 00
Hickory					15 00			1 25	16 25
John's Chapel	50			1 00	5 00	1 15		75	8 40
Louisburg	10 00		3 00	5 00	100 00	19 00		1 25	138 25
Littleton								1 15	1 15
Middleburg	4 50			2 00	2 50	5 00		50	14 50
Mt. Lebanon					1 00				1 00
Mt. Vernon				5 00	15 00			1 25	21 25
Mt. Zion				5 00	25 00	1 50		1 50	33 00
Mt. Hebron								1 50	1 50
Maple Springs				5 00	10 00	10 00		2 00	27 00
Nashville					11 75			1 00	12 75
New Bethel		90	2 00	2 50	10 00	25		1 50	17 15
New Hope									
Philadelphia			1 30	3 32	15 00	1 50		1 88	23 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00		1 00	2 00	5 00	1 00		1 00	11 00
Pactolus				5 00	10 00			1 00	16 00
Pine Forest				1 50	5 00			25	6 75
Poplar Spring				5 00	15 00			2 00	22 00
Peach Tree			2 00		10 00			1 50	13 50
Quankey				5 00	10 00			1 00	16 00
Reedy Creek				10 00	11 50			2 00	23 50
Rocky Mount	5 00		5 00	5 00	25 00	10 00	2 50	1 00	53 50
Red Bud	1 00		2 50		7 50	4 10		1 50	16 60
Rock Spring				75	10 75			1 50	13 00
Rehoboth	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	13 25	1 75		1 20	20 20
Sandy Creek			1 00					1 50	2 50
Sharpsburg									
Sulphur Springs					2 35			1 00	3 35
Scotland Neck					200 00			1 50	201 50
Social Plains					5 00			1 00	6 00
Shiloh					2 31			3 00	5 31
Sharon					25 00			1 50	26 50
Samaria					10 00			2 00	12 00
Turkey Branch					10 00			1 00	11 00
Toisnot	3 00		3 00		4 00			1 50	11 50
Tarboro									
Weldon			4 92		15 00			1 00	20 92
Williamston					25 00			50	25 50
Wilson				5 00	27 00			2 50	34 50
Warren Plains			1 40		10 00				11 40
Warrenton					25 00			1 00	26 00
Washington									
Totals	$33 35	$ 3 90	$30 12	$93 25	$1,084 46	$61 25	$2 50	$67 93	$1,478 11

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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CADE, BAYLUS.....Louisburg.
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DUKE, G. M.....Duke's.
DOWELL, G. J.....Williamston.
HUFHAM, J. D.....Scotland Neck.
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LOVE, J. F.....Rocky Mount.
MORTON, N. B.....Weldon.
NOBLE, J. W.....Greenville.
NEWELL, G. W.....Mapleville.
PERNELL, M. R.....Louisburg.
PITCHFORD, J. A.....Littleton.
POWELL, J. W.....Rocky Mount.
PERKINSON, LEVI.....Warren Plains.
SLEDGE, J. W.....Cedar Rock.
TAYLOR, T. J.....Warrenton.
WILLCOX, A. G.....Brinkleyville.

PROCEEDINGS.

GREENVILLE, N. C., October 9th, 1890.

THE TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION met here to-day in its Sixtieth Annual Session. After praise service, led by Dr. R. D. Fleming, the Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Brethren R. A. P. Cooley and W. E. Daniel were appointed Reading Clerks, and R. M. Johnson and R. D. Fleming Finance Committee.

The roll of churches was then called and delegates enrolled, as follows:

Antioch—Rev. J. A. Pitchford.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, N. Chichester, S. C. Shearin.
Bethel—J. H. Johnson.
Brown's—J. W. Smithwick.
Conoconary—Paul Tillery.
Corinth—
Cedar Rock—W. M. Boon.
Cypress Chapel—
Dawson's—G. L. Branch.
Enfield—By letter.
Ephesus—W. W. Bachelor, B. F. Edwards.
Elm Grove—Wm. Proctor, E. H. Weaver, Wm. Hamilton.
Enterprise—L. C. Perkinson.
Free Chapel—By letter.
Fishing Creek—A. G. Willcox.
Greenville—J. H. Tucker, Chas. Sugg, D. J. Whichard.
Gardner's—J. W. Rodwell, W. P. Rodwell.
Harriss' Chapel—B. Y. Harriss.
Hickory—H. B. S. Pitt.
Hamilton—Rev. G. J. Dowell.
John's Chapel—J. W. Sledge, N. W. Bachelor, S. E. Saunders.
Louisburg—E. W. Timberlake.
Littleton—Jesse Carter, L. W. Bagley, W. S. Bobbitt.
Middleburg—
Mt. Lebanon—
Mt. Vernon—A. C. Thomas.
Mt. Hebron—
Mt. Zion—W. T. Cooper.
Maple Spring—W. T. Wilder.
Nashville—R. A. P. Cooley, G. M. Duke.
New Bethel—
New Hope—J. T. Derr, H. D. Ellis, W. H. White.
Pleasant Grove—G. Coggin, J. R. Coggin.
Philadelphia—W. H. Lewis, M. S. Griffin, J. S. Beal.
Pectolus—
Pine Forest—G. W. Andrews, J. A. Whitley.
Poplar Spring—John Griffin, J. C. Pearce.
Peach Tree—G. Rice.
Quankie—By letter.
Reedy Creek—By letter.
Rocky Mount—J. M. Teachey.
Rehoboth—E. T. Barkley, W. B. Harper.
Red Bud—
Rock Spring—B. F. Wilder, J. J. Bobbitt.

Sharpsburg—G. W. Robbins.
Sandy Creek—J. A. Pitchford, B. Collins.
Sulphur Springs—J. W. Sledge.
Social Plains—By letter.
Samaria—B. T. Strickland.
Sharon—Rev. L. C. Perkinson.
Scotland Neck—N. Biggs, Dr. R. M. Johnson.
Turkey Branch—By letter.
Toisnot—W. D. Carter.
Tarboro—Rev. J. W. Hundley.
Weldon—W. E. Daniel, W. B. Morton.
Williamston—G. W. Speight, Dennis Simmons.
Wilson—B. F. Briggs, Rev. H. W. Battle.
Warrenton—Dr. R. D. Fleming, N. S. Shaw.
Warren Plains—By letter.
Washington—W. W. Thomas.

After reading the letters the Association was permanently organized by re-electing the former officers.

The Association adjourned to hear the Introductory Sermon by Rev. J. A. Hundley, of Tarboro. Text: Matt. v: 42.

A resolution offered by Louisburg church with reference to the Aged Ministers' Relief Board was referred to a special committee consisting of brethren J. H. Tucker, N. Biggs and B. F. Briggs.

A request of Greenville church with reference to a missionary for Pitt county was referred to the Executive Committee of this Association.

New churches making application for admission into this body: Springhope and Mildred presented their letters with covenant, articles of faith, etc., which were referred to a committee consisting of brethren B. Cade, J. W. Powell and J. W. Sledge, who, after examination of said articles, recommended their reception, and the Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to the delegates, Thos. Crist and N. Walker.

Antioch church, from Atlantic Association, was received into fellowship with this Association subject to the approval of said Association, A. G. Cox, delegate.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats among us and the invitation accepted by Rev. C. T. Bailey, Dr. Thomas E. Skinner, Dr. C. E. Taylor, Rev. C. J. Woodson and Rev. C. J. Nelson.

The report on Home Missions was read by Bro. W. E. Daniel and discussed by brethren Battle, Cade, Hunter, Hufham, Skinner and Hundley. The report, with amendments, was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Those to whom are intrusted the direction of the Home Mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention are carrying it forward in the fear of and with the blessing of the Lord.

The destitute sections of the South and South-west are being supplied with the Gospel in so far as the Board are able to send laborers. The results from this work are beginning to be seen in its increasing magnitude and growing demands.

The mission work in Cuba under the direction of this Board attracts the undivided attention of the Christian world, and under the leadership of that wonderful man, Diaz, in spite of persecution and even imprisonment, the Lord is adding his blessing and it promises that the whole Island will be led to the knowledge as it is in Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Your Committee earnestly recommends this work to the churches, regretting to call the attention of the Association to an evident lack of interest in the past.

In 1889, out of sixty-four churches composing this body, only twenty-two contributed to this object and their total contributions amounted to $76.73, or less than 1½ cent per member of the great body of Baptists composing the Tar River Association.

Your Committee also calls the attention of the Association to the work among the negroes that is being done under the direction of the Home Mission Board.

If this work is entitled to our prayers and sympathy, it is also entitled to our support, therefore your Committee recommends that the preachers instruct the people in the needs and importance of the work of the Home Mission Board; and the churches of this Association be earnestly asked to give one collection to the general work of the Home Missiou Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for the meeting in May in addition to the quota of this Association for the house in Cuba. W. E. DANIEL.

Adjourned with prayer by Bro. Finch.

NIGHT SESSION.

Dr. Skinner, of Raleigh, gave us sixty years of conventional life, or what our fathers believed and preached.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY, 10 A. M.

The Association met and was led in prayer by Bro. Morton.

The Executive Committee of last year was re-appointed for this year.

The Committee on Time and Place reported Louisburg, Warrenton and Rock Spring as the churches asking for the next session. The balloting resulted in Warrenton as the place and Thursday before the third Sunday in October, 1891, as the time.

The report on Associational Missions was read by Bro. Hufham for the Chairman. Stirring speeches were made to the report by Brethren Duke, Hufham, Cooke and Skinner.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the year just closed fourteen brethren have been at work in different parts of the Association.

Elder J. W. Powell has bestowed much faithful labor on an important and promising field in the counties of Nash and Edgecombe. He has baptized thirty-six on this field. It is a matter for regret that Bro. Powell leaves us now to become the pastor of churches in another Association. During the three years that he has been among us he has been an untiring worker and the blessing of the Lord has attended his labors.

Elder A. G. Wilcox has been preaching once a month at Harrison's Shop and Ringwood. He has baptized four. The lack of a house of worship at the former place has greatly hindered the progress of our cause. He has baptized four and three others await baptism.

Elder George J. Dowell has been laboring faithfully at important points in Martin County. He has baptized nine and several others have been received for baptism.

Elder J. W. Hundley has been preaching once a month at Mildred, Eagles' Store and Leggett's in Edgecombe County. At the former point he has been specially blessed. A church of considerabie strength was organized last Sunday night and admitted into your body yesterday. At Eagles' the indications have all been favorable. He is to hold a meeting at that point next week. At the last-named place Bro. Hundley has greatly commended himself to the people of his charge and endeared himself to us all. We grieve that he is to leave us soon to return to Virginia. He has baptized twenty-four and added ten by letter on his field.

Elder J. A. Bridges has been preaching at Spring Hope, Nash County, the present terminus of the Rocky Mount and Nashville railroad. He has baptized several at that place and organized a church which was admitted a member of your body yesterday.

Elder L. M. Curtis has been giving most of his time to mission work in Halifax, Edgecombe and Martin Counties. He has labored unceasingly and without sparing himself. He has baptized nine persons and five others are awaiting the ordinance. At two points in his field, stations on the S. N. and Greenville railroad, lots have been given to us for building houses of worship.

Elder A. D. Hunter has been engaged mainly in Pitt county. He has been on the ground less than a year, but much good has been done and there is the promise of much more. Six baptized in his field and ten added by letter.

Elder Levi Perkinson has been missionary pastor of the church at Enterprise, Halifax county. He has been much burdened with the enterprise of building a house of worship but is full of enthusiasm about the cause in his field.

Elder J. W. Sledge has been missionary pastor at Sulphur Spring, Warren County, and John's Chapel, Nash County, and has made good headway at both places.

Elder W. B. Morton has preached at some points not far from Weldon and baptized twelve.

Elders G. L. Finch and R. E. Peele continued on their fields for a short time after the last session of your body and then left, the former to become missionary and pastor in the Atlantic Association, the latter to become pastor of a church in Wilmington.

Elder J. R. Pace labored two weeks in connection with one of our missionaries and with good results.

J. C. Stowell served the church at Washington for a few months, but proving unworthy he deemed it prudent to leave the field and return to the North.

This is only a brief summary of what has been done.

In conclusion your Committee beg leave to say that there is great need of enlarging the work.

C. M. COOK, *Chairman.*

The Treasurer's report was offered in connection with the report, which was referred to Bro. L. W. Bagley who, after examination of the same reported it all correct.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Elder J. C. Stowell, Washington and Beaufort counties	$	50 00
" J. W. Powell, Endfield, Edgecombe and Nash		137 56
" A. J. Willcox		25 00
" G. J. Dowell, Martin county		150 00
" J. W. Sledge		80 00
" L. M. Curtis, Edgecombe and Halifax counties		300 00
" A. D. Hunter, Pitt county		83 33
" J. A. Bridgers, Spring Hope		50 00
" J. W. Hundley, Edgecombe county		100 00
" W. B. Morton, around Weldon		50 00
" R. E. Peele, Halifax and Edgecombe counties		60 00
" Levy Perkins, Enterprise		25 00
" J. R. Pace, Edgecombe county		25 00
" G. L. Finch, Pitt county		20 00
Total	$	1,155 83

CREDITS.

By cash from Association	$ 1,186 96	
" of A. J. Willcox	25 00	
" of B. F. Briggs, pledge of 1890	25 00	
" of Wilson Church, pledge of 1890	6 05	
	$	1,243 01

Balance in Treasury to date, $87.18.

The roll of churches were called, and pledges taken for the same, as follows:

Scotland Neck	$ 200 00
Dr. Thos. E. Skinner	100 00
Louisburg	75 00
Bear Swamp	50 00
Greenville	50 00
Brown's	50 00
Warrenton	50 00
Weldon	40 00
Tarboro (asked for)	50 00
J. D. Hurham	35 00
W. E. Bowers	35 00
Rocky Mount	30 00
Hamilton	25 00
Mt. Zion	25 00
Maple Springs	25 00
Poplar Springs	25 00
Peach Tree	25 00
Sharon	25 00
Dr. C. E. Taylor	25 00
Rev. J. W. Hundley (paid)	25 00
Conoconary	20 00
Corinth	20 00
Cedar Rock	20 00
Gardner's	20 00
Philadelphia (W. H. L,)	20 00
Reedy Creek	20 00
Rohoboth	20 00
Rev. G. M. Duke	20 00
Dawson's	15 00
Harriss Chapel	15 00
Hickory	15 00
Littleton	15 00
Mt. Vernon	15 00
Rock Spring	15 00
Williamston	25 00
Ephesus	10 00
Fishing Creek	10 00
Middleburg	10 00
Nashville	10 00
Pine Forest	10 00
Quankie	10 00
Samaria	10 00
Toisnot	$ 10 00
H. W. Battle	10 00
Antioch (Pitt)	10 00
Pactolus	10 00
R. A. P. Cooley	10 00
A. G. Willcox	10 00
J. W. Powell	10 00
J. M. Teachey	10 00
C. J. Hunter (paid)	5 00
Bethel	5 00
Enterprise	5 00
John's Chapel	5 00
Pleasant Grove	5 00
Sandy Creek	5 00
Sulphur Spring	5 00
B. T. Strickland	5 00
Social Plains	5 00
Mildred	5 00
J. H. Satterthwaite	5 00
A. D. Hunter	5 00
H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
D. H. Crocker	5 00
Mrs. H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
Miss M. B. Pitt	5 00
Amos Cox	5 00
Mrs. C. A. Strickland	5 00
Mrs. V N. Gill	5 00
C. J. Gill	5 00
R. A. Tyson	5 00
C. M. Cooke	5 00
W. O. McDowell	5 00
J. W. Sledge	5 00
M. S. Griffin	3 00
L. C. Perkinson	3 00
Springhope	2 50
W. H. Lewis	2 50
J. S. Beal	2 50
W. M. Boon	2 50
W. D. Carter	2 50
W. B. Harper	2 00
	$1,530 50

Report adopted.

The following resolution, offered by Bro. Cade, passed:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that the churches not here represented be permitted and urged to contribute to make up the sum of $200, now needed, and that each church be affectionately and earnestly requested to inform the Clerk what amount it will contribute.

This resolution also passed the body:

Resolved, That the Treasurer get a summary of churches and individuals making pledges and not paying, and report same in lieu of calling roll.

The church at Crocker's Chapel made application for admission into our body. The letter, with covenant, articles of faith, etc., was referred to brethren B. Cade, J. W. Powell and J. W. Sledge, who, after examination, reported favorably upon its reception, and the Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to its delegate, E. L. Crocker.

Report on Orphanage read by Bro. Fleming, and ably discussed by brethren Duke, Cade, Woodson and Pitchford, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Brother Moderator and Brethren—Is it possible for a Christian to live out of his duty? I believe that for all these years previous to 1883, the Baptists of North Carolina were living short of their duty, but the Lord blessed them and many were added to their number, and in 1883 they said to the world (after much prayer) that they felt the necessity of putting themselves on a Bible platform in reference to practical Christian charities, as well as other Christian doctrines, and trust the Lord to help them support and sustain it, as He has sustained Baptist churches all over the world, based upon the Bible teachings of repentance, faith and the immersion of believers in the name of the Trinity, and we now most devoutly pray that it may always stand as a monument to Christianity alone, unmised with any form or ceremony, save the pure doctrines of the Bible, and supported purely as a Christian institution, in the name of Christ and for His glory, where all who come within its scope receive its blessings.

And what has been done? About 300 acres of land has been bought, and all the money raised to pay for it. Then we have the Mitchell building, the Biggs building, the Watson building, the Durham building, all having a school-room, a dormitory, and a room for teacher, matron and cook, with its respective eating-house, consisting of four rooms, one a dining-room, cook-room, store-room, and a room for an office. Then comes the Chapel, a place of worship for the children, a nice brick house which will seat, I reckon, 200 people; then the nursery, built by Bro. Dennis Simmons; and now the infirmary and the Lassiter buildings are going up and will be finished this fall, I think; and the bathing-house, one of the most useful buildings on the grounds; and then there is a large shed built for the children to take out-door exercise under in bad weather; and when our annual meetings are held, and sometimes before, we have knelt in thankfulness to God for His goodness to us.

So we have twelve substantial brick houses filled with 134 children from 3 to 16 years, five teachers, five matrons, a Treasurer, General Manager, and other help, making near 150 souls, composing a nice little village, where we would advise all who feel any interest in orphan work to go and see for themselves, which is the only way they can ever know what is going on there.

We earnestly recommend that as soon as possible a house be built for the General Manager, so that he could live on the grounds, as he ought to do.

Many of these children have made professions of religion, and all of them seem happy and getting on very well.

Brethren, let us be thankful for what has been done, but houses can be filled faster than they can be built; so let us not relax our energies in this direction, but push it as one of the enterprises to which we are called by the Lord.

Respectfully, R. D. FLEMING.

A cash collection amounting to $10.50 was then taken up.

The following standing committees were appointed:

On Sunday-schools, Dr. R. M. Johnson.
On Aged Ministers' Relief Fund, I. S. Barrow.
On Obituaries, Rev. Levi Perkinson.
On State Missions, R. A. P. Cooley.
On Foreign Missions, A. D. Hunter.
On Home Missions, B. Cade.
On Associational Missions, J. D. Hufham.
On Education, G. M. Duke.
On Orphanage, T. J. Taylor.
On Periodicals, W. H. Lewis.

The Committee on Aged Ministers' Relief Fund recommended the following report, which was adopted by the body:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Louisburg letter in relation to the Aged Ministers' Relief Board, recommend that this object be adopted as a part of our Convention work; that contributions be regularly taken for the same and forwarded to the Treasurer of that Board at Wilmington, and the amounts be reported to our Annual Association. We further recommend that the delegates of the Association to the State Convention press the importance of this movement in that body, and endeavor to procure systematic contributions from all the churches in the State for the relief of our aged ministers who have spent their best strength working for the Master.

N. BIGGS,
B. F. BRIGGS,
J. H. TUCKER,
Committee.

Adjourned. Prayer by Dr. Taylor.

FRIDAY NIGHT.

Report on Education was read by Bro. Cade, for the chairman. Dr. C. E. Taylor, in his usual able and forceful manner, discussed the report and education under the auspices of the Convention. Further consideration of the report postponed until to-morrow.

Report on Periodicals was read by Bro. W. H. Battle. Rev. C. T. Bailey, in his usual happy, humorous and inimitable style, discussed the *Biblical Recorder* as the organ of the Convention. Further consideration postponed until to-morrow.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, 10 A. M.

The Association convened and was led in prayer by Dr. Pritchard.

Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. Cade, and was very ably and earnestly discussed by brethren Pritchard, Woodson, Cade, Hundley and Hufham, and adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The commission given by our Lord to his disciples, to evangelize all nations, is binding upon us to-day. Indeed, our obligation to conform to the instructions of our blessed Lord, is greater than that imposed upon the apostolic churches, because we have, for our encouragement, the achievements of many centuries of brilliant history, and greater resources and facilities to be employed in this work than were committed to them. For these considerations, and for others that might be mentioned, it is the duty of every minister, of every Christian and of every church, to be actively and practically engaged in giving the Gospel to every creature. In order to give greater efficiency to efforts on this behalf at home, and in order to give direction to our representatives in foreign fields, we should study the defects and excellencies of the civilizations to be replaced, and perfect the institutions of our own, in order that our efforts abroad may not be misdirected and ineffectual. Respectfully,

BAYLUS CADE.

At this stage of the proceedings Gov. Jarvis was invited to a seat in the Association, and accepted with some appropriate remarks.

Report on State Missions was read by Bro. Hufham, for Bro. Bagley. Without discussion the report was adopted.

STATE MISSIONS.

This work is greatly prospering. In the number of laborers, in the amount of contributions, in precious fruits gathered, and in the general uplifting of our cause, the present condition of this important department of our labor has never before been so prosperous.

But the present condition of our State, with the large increase in population to be looked for at an early period, calls on us to increase our interest, our gifts and our efforts in behalf of State Missions.

L. W. BAGLEY, *Chairman.*

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Hufham with reference to memorial churches at Hobgood and Tillery, which passed unanimously:

WHEREAS, Our beloved brother, N. Biggs, put into this house more than $2,000 beyond his own very large gift, in order to save the enterprise from failure; and

WHEREAS, Our brother does not wish to receive back any part of this money on his account, but to be expended in carrying on our work of Associational Missions; and

WHEREAS, It is in his heart to have built two new houses of worship at important points in our limits, to commemorate our deceased brethren, John Watson and R. B. Salisbury; therefore

Resolved, That in connection with the exercises of dedication to-morrow the congregation be requested to contribute for this purpose, and that we pledge ourselves to co-operate in this undertaking, and that Noah Biggs, T. J. Taylor and Geo. J. Dowell be appointed a committee to superintend the collection of funds and the erection of these houses.

The amounts below were pledged for the enterprise:

N. Biggs	$200	A. G. Willcox	$ 25
C. M. Cooke	100	J. H. Tucker	25
R. D. Fleming	100	H. B. S. Pitt	10
G. J. Dowell	50	H. W. Battle	25
G. M. Duke	50	J. A. Whitley	10
J. D. Hufham	100	Gov. Jarvis (for Salisbury church)	10
N. L. Shaw	25	D. J. Whichard	10
W. E. Bowers	25	C. J. Hunter (paid)	5
E. W. Timberlake	25		
B. Cade	25	Total	$820

Sunday the following additional amounts were secured in cash and pledges:

Amos Cox	$ 25 00	C. M. Bessons	$ 5 00
R. A. P. Cooley	25 00	A. D. Hunter	5 00
A. McDowell	3 00	L. W. Branch	2 00
R. H. Saulsbury	5 00	Hat Collection	28 73
A. H. Besson	1 00		
D. L. James	2 00	Total	$101 73

Adjourned. Prayer by Dr. Skinner.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, 3 P. M.

The Association assembled and was led in prayer by Bro. Willcox.
The reports on Education and Periodicals were adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Our educational work is in a fairly good condition. Wake Forest College had a larger number of matriculates at the beginning of the present session

than it had at the beginning of any other session in its history. The students are of a good class of young men; the Faculty is full, and is earnestly prosecuting the work; the discipline is healthy, and is cheerfully acquiesced in by all concerned; the endowment is invested to advantage, and is amply secured. The Trustees have thought that the usefulness of the College could be largely increased with some additions to its endowment, and they have asked President Taylor to take the field with the view of raising one hundred thousand dollars to swell its permanent fund. Your committee has no means of knowing the measure of success which has attended Dr. Taylor's efforts up this time.

Some progress has been made in the work of establishing the Female University authorized at the last meeting of our State Convention; but your committee is not informed as to the particulars of progress. It is certain that an institution with buildings, apparatus and endowment, such as will enable us to cheapen higher education for women is a necessity, and nothing should be neglected that will insure the speedy equipment of such an institution.

The Board of Ministerial Education is under the efficient management of Prof. Carlyle, and is doing a work for the elevation of our ministry not less important than any other part of our educational activities.

Respectfully submitted, E. W. TIMBERLAKE.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The agencies employed in the Redeemer's kingdom converge to one centre: *the glory of God and the good of man.* Next, in dignity and importance to a consecrated pulpit, is an intelligent, pure and courageous press. Hand in hand with the preached word in North Carolina has gone the printed word, as illustrated in the *Biblical Recorder* during more than half a century of our history, and the Master has been pleased to wonderfully bless their united efforts in all the departments of religious and denominational activity. The organ of North Carolina Baptists, it should receive an honored place in every Baptist home and a cordial support from every Baptist pulpit in the State. *Charity and Children*, as the organ of our Orphanage at Thomasville, has won deserved success. Intrinsically worth more than the subscription price ($1 00), it makes its strongest appeal for sympathy and support as the friend of the orphan and the advocate of "*blessed charity.*" Foreign Missions are ably represented by the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published at Richmond, Va., recently much improved in form and matter, while the great and important cause of Home Missions is ably advocated through the columns of the *Home Field*, published at Atlanta, Ga. These periodicals we cordially commend, and insist that personal piety and denominational progress are vitally affected by the character of the literature we read. H. W. BATTLE.

The report on Sunday-schools was read by Bro. Tucker and discussed by Brethren Dowell, Sledge, Shaw and Tucker, and adopted, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

We are professedly a missionary body. Any effort put forth by us for the dissemination of God's gospel is properly missionary work. To preach to the young the precious truth that Christ invites them to his loving embrace is as much our duty as a missionary body as it is to send His Word to the benighted heathen. Both duties are imperative and the neglect of either is fraught with serious and momentous consequences to our souls. Teaching the heathen is a disturbance of settled opinions and convictions and the acquired results must come from slow and patient efforts; but teaching the little ones about us is the beginning with the growth of the mind, and the religious development of the faculties as they mature, and it is easy to make impressions on these willing hearts and flexible minds that are elevating, ennobling, lasting, and mould and shape them for eternity with Him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me." Neglecting these is to bury our talent in a napkin. To lead them early

to our Lord and Master is absolute security to the child—a duty performed by ourselves—and must be well-pleasing to our Heavenly Father. To possess a truth and bury it within our own hearts and withhold it from our children is intense selfishness, unjust to them and criminal to our own souls. If we hold God's truth dear to us why not implant it in the hearts of our children in its purity, sweetness and simplicity before the thorns of schism and the thistles of worldliness shall take root therein? This work is important. Its value is commensurate with the value of a human soul if, indeed, by it some souls are led to Christ. Then to calculate its value we must go to the Cross and ascertain it by the value of the life of the Son of God that was a ransom for a soul. To underestimate it is to check the flowing current of God's eternal truth, and the clear, limpid water of life gives place to the stagnant pool of idleness that produces spiritual death. How can a church-member reconcile the inconsistency that he possesses the light of revelation and yet is not willing to expend one effort to illuminate the heart and dispel the cloud of darkness in the mind of his own child and others on the same subject so dear to his own heart? And yet as paradoxical as it may seem there are pastors, and missionaries, too, within the bounds of the Tar River Association who minister to churches week after week, month after month and year after year, whose report to this body shows no Sunday-school, nor effort to organize one, wherein God's word is faithfully taught to the young as it should be told to the old from the pulpit. The churches of those missionaries and pastors are barren of good works. No orphan's wail moves their selfish souls. The heathen's cry finds no response from their bosoms. The plea for the various boards touches no chord of sympathy in their spiritual natures. Why? Because their noble, generous and charitable impulses are not awakened and developed in the Sabbath-school. To neglect this work, then, is to neglect one of the most potent factors in developing the young and leading them in Christ's ways, and the minister who does this falls far short of his duty, and is not worthy the name of a *Missionary Baptist.* And if there are such our Board should look to it that they are not employed to labor in our field. As our letters show, there is a fearful direliction of duty in this regard. The importance of this work is not properly emphasized by our brethren, as is evidenced by a comparison of our church and school membership. One remedy is a more efficient ministry, who will not suffer to be neglected any portion of God's work that tends to the upbuilding of His cause. I say ministry, because this work must be set in motion by the ministry in our mission fields. Or perhaps better still would it be for the Association to engage the services of a godly man who could do the work of an evangelist and a Sunday-school colporter. His salary would be paid by his collections at his meetings and the profits from the sale of his literature, and my opinion is that the results of his efforts would be phenomenal.

Our work now suffers much from the imperfect reports sent to the Association from the churches. I will insist on a carefully prepared table of statistics to this body from each church.

I would recommend that each pastor endeavor to procure the enrollment of every church member in the Sunday-school, and to that end will suggest that they occasionally preach a sermon to their people setting forth the importance of this work and give our authority for engaging in the same, and give the people the benefit of the information contained in our Sunday-school statistical table in the minutes, with the hope of stimulating and encouraging the faithful worker and putting to shame the idler and the unfaithful and arousing in him a desire to work in this great cause. The Sunday-school reports that have come up to this body from the churches are so meager and imperfect I shall have to content myself with the hope that the work itself is superior to that indicated in the letters. One thing is encouraging—the average contributions by the schools are greatly in excess of former years.

Brethren, this work is grand. Its effect and influence is far-reaching and glorious and will never be known and appreciated short of the kingdom of

eternal truth. Let us buckle on the armor, renew our strength in God's might and carry forward this work as the Master would have us do it.

J. H. TUCKER.

Brethren J. L. Winfield, editor of the *Watch Tower*, and Kellinger, of Norfolk, were invited to seats and accepted; also brethren John and Jones, of the N. C. Conference.

Report on Obituaries was read by Bro. J. W. Powell, for Bro. Duke, and adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Since the last meeting of our Association death has removed from our midst the following:

HORLON D. AVERA, son of Col. W. H., and E. A. Avera, was born July 27th, 1854, at Silverdale, Johnston county, N. C. In early life he gave his heart to Christ and was baptized on the 29th of May, 1869. He was a highly esteemed and beloved student at Wake Forest College in 1870–71. In 1876 he married Miss M. Tempie Arrington, who made him a faithful and affectionate wife, and bore him five children, four of whom, with the mother, survive him to mourn their loss. In 1876 he moved to Rocky Mount, from which time the burden of his life seemed to be to establish a Baptist Church and erect a house of worship for them in Rocky Mount, a thing which his friends admit was but the visionary scheme of an Utopian dreamer. But with Abraham's faith he hoped, trusted and laboured, until through his untiring efforts a church was organized in 1879, with seven members, and which now numbers 87, and a beautiful church edifice now stands as a monument to reward his labours.

He died July 13th, 1890, and died as he lived, clad in full armor, with his face to the foe. The last rational act of his life was to prepare his Sunday-school lesson, bow in prayer and ask God to bless his labours, and the next word he uttered was to greet his Saviour, whom he had so faithfully served.

Death comes indeed like a thief in the night, but it found him watching and waiting and ready to meet it.

He had one child, Horlon, Jr., to precede him to his heavenly home, who died about one year before him, and never did any pastor witness nobler Christian resignation or humbler submission to God's will than was shown by Horlon Avera, as he took his pastor's hand and yielded submission to God's will, even chiding himself for sorrowing over the separation from his child.

He was a devoted and affectionate husband, a tender and loving father, a genial, social and true friend, and, most of all, an unexcelled example of a Christian gentleman.

Sister MARY HUFHAM, wife of our beloved brother, J. D. Hufham, died at her home in Scotland Neck, in her 54th year. She was married to Bro. Hufham in 1863, and for 27 years until her death, she was his comfort and helper, not only in his family circle, where she made home happy by her many graces as a cultured and refined lady, but by her excellence as a Christian. She was a faithful helper to him in his ministerial labours, and he says that whatever he is as a preacher, he owes it to her.

She was gentle, patient and submissive in all things. She was a truly humble and pious Christian, esteeming others better than herself, and her death was a fitting conclusion to such a life; it was glorious; for seven weeks she suffered and bore her sufferings with Christian fortitude and resignation. She is now at rest in heaven.

Sister Hufham leaves her husband and four children to mourn their loss. Two had gone before, who, with the mother, are awaiting the coming of the rest.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Would that some worthier pen could have written the obituary of these eminent Christians. This offering, however, is made in love, and the best we can do with the space at our disposal.

Several other pious brethren and sisters have passed over the river in the last year, whose names are worthy of everlasting remembrance, but these are all we can notice here or the Minutes will be too long.

Respectfully submitted, G. M. DUKE,
Committee.

Treasurers Report was read and audited by Bro. E. W. Timberlake, who reported same to be correct, and the report was adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,
In account with A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

Oct. 12, 1889. RECEIPTS.

Balance due Association at last session		$ 37 20
Received from Finance Committee—		
For State Missions	3 90	
Foreign Missions	33 35	
Home Missions	30 12	
Education	93 25	
Sunday-school Board	2 50	
Orphanage	61 25	
Minute Fund	67 93	
Sunday collection for State Missions	13 49	
Sharpsburg Church, for State, Foreign and Home Missions	9 50	
Total		$352 49

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid J. D. Boushall for State Missions	$ 3 90	
J. D. Boushall for Foreign Missions	33 35	
J. D. Boushall for Home Missions	30 12	
J. D. Boushall for Education	93 25	
J. D. Boushall for Sunday-school Board	2 50	
J. H. Mills for Orphanage	61 25	
Edwards & Broughton for printing Minutes	52 50	
J. D. Boushall, Sunday collection for State Missions	13 50	
Clerk's fee	25 00	
For stationery, mailing manuscript, etc	50	
J. D. Boushall for Sharpsburg Church	9 50	
Noah Biggs for Associational Missions	25 00	
For mailing blank church letters	50	
Total		$350 87
Balance due Association		1 62
		$352 49

Respectfully submitted,
A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

The Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of Minutes printed, and to receive the usual compensation for his services.

A resolution was offered and passed that the Clerk be instructed to request the brethren who spoke on the Convention Work, or Historical Work of the Convention, to furnish an abstract of their speeches for publication in the *Biblical Recorder.*

Rev. B. Cade was appointed delegate to Southern Baptist Convention and J. C. Tucker was chosen alternate.

The Moderator appointed the following delegates to the Baptist State Convention: N. L. Shaw, G. M. Duke, T. J. Taylor, J. H. Tucker, Dennis Sim-

mons, R. D. Fleming, H. W. Battle, B. Cade, A. D. Hunter, G. W. Blount, W. E. Daniel, R. A. P. Cooley, C. M. Cooke, W. A. Dunn, J. D. Hufham, N. Biggs, G. J. Dowell, G. L. Parker, J. M. Neal, W. D. Carter, W. H. Lewis, W. E. Bowers, Walter Allen, W. B. Morton, E. W. Timberlake, J. W. Sledge, J. A. Coppedge, R. M. Johnson, A. G. Willcox, L. M. Curtis, A. W. Daniel, E. E. Hilliard, J. W. Powell and J. W. Hundley.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committe on Finance, beg leave to report that we have received —

For Associational Missions	$1,191 97
State Missions	8 00
Foreign Missions	29 61
Home Missions	23 86
Education	61 75
Orphanage	43 10
Minute Fund	70 20
Associational Missions (from individuals)	310 00
Total	$1,758 49

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. FLEMING,
R. M. JOHNSON,
Committee.

At the request of Antioch Church, Bro. J. W. Noble was ordained. A presbytery consisting of brethren J. D. Hufham, H. W. Battle, B. Cade, G. M. Duke and Geo. J. Dowell examined the candidate, which examination proving entirely satisfactory, the brother was ordained to the full work of the ministry. Bro. Dowell led the prayer, Bro. Battle delivered the charge, Bro. Cade presented the Bible, Bro. Duke delivered the words of welcome, and the right hand of fellowship was extended by all the ministers present.

Benediction by Bro. Noble.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Bro. Battle spoke of the spirit of Missions and its influence upon the Church.

Bro. Cade spoke upon the higher education of females, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted by the body:

WHEREAS, There is no institution of the highest grade for the education of women under the control of our people in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, It is important that our women be furnished the opportunity to secure for themselves the highest culture as easily and cheaply as these advantages are obtained by her more favored brothers; and

WHEREAS, Our people have the means to build a University for the education of our women: therefore,

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to give our moral and material support to the efforts now making to build a University for women in the city of Raleigh, in pursuance of the instructions of our Convention at its last session.

Brethren Battle and Cade made masterly efforts worthy alike of their subjects and themselves.

The following resolution of thanks was offered by Bro. Hundley and most heartily endorsed by the body:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are due and are hereby tendered to the citizens of this town for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained us, and to the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad and Raleigh & Gaston Railroad for a reduction of fare.

Thus closed one of the most pleasant and profitable sessions in the history of the Association. Adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Cade.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

9 A. M.—Sunday-school Mass-meeting, led by Bro. E. E. Hilliard.

11 A. M.—Dedication of Memorial Church. Opening prayer by Dr. T. H. Pritchard. Reading Scripture by Rev. J. W. Hundley. Dedicatory Sermon by Dr. T. H. Pritchard; text: Epistle of John, 1st chapter, 3d verse. Dedicatory Prayer by Dr. T. E. Skinner.

Methodist church, 11 A. M.—Rev. N. H. Battle. 7:30—Rev. W. B. Morton.

Colored Baptist Church—11 A. M., Rev. G. M. Duke; 7:30 P. M., Rev. A. G. Willcox.

Memorial Baptist Church—7:30 P. M., Rev. B. Cade.

Orphanage Mass-meeting 3:30 P. M., led by Bro. Cade. Speeches by E. E. Hillard, Dr. T. H. Pritchard, C. M. Cooke, ex-Governor Jarvis, N. L. Shaw, R. D. Fleming, B. Cade and J. D. Hufham. The following collections and pledges were then taken: C. M. Cooke, $5; Rocky Mount (G. L. P.) $5; Dennis Simmons, $10; R. D. Flemming, $10; C. T. Bailey, $10; hat, $19.34. For the endowment of the Orphanage the following amounts were pledged: Dennis Simmons, $1,000; N. Biggs, $1,000; W. E. Bowers (paid), $10.

The Association adjourned to meet with the Church in Warrenton Thursday before the third Sunday in October, 1891.

W. E. BOWERS, *Moderator.*

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk.*

NOTE.—After adjournment of the Association the Executive Committee held a meeting, and for reasons to them sufficiently cogent they changed the time to Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1891.

APPENDIX.

RULES OF DECORUM..

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

12. An order of business, assigning a definite time to each topic to be brought before the Association, shall be made at the beginning of each session, and this order shall not be departed from in any case without unanimous consent.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, and died since the last Association.

3. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises

11. The Association shall have power to inquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in counsel.

14. The Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches

16. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

17. The business of this Association shall be conducted according to Mills' Parliamentary Practice.

THE RECORDER: ITS ORIGIN AND WORK.

READ BEFORE THE TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 10TH, IN GREENVILLE, N. C., BY C. T. BAILEY.

Naturally, one wishes to think and speak favorably of the dead. It would be pleasant, therefore, to say that the founders of our Convention saw from the beginning that a weekly newspaper would be a necessary part of the machinery by which their enterprises were to be pushed forward, and because of this prevision, established it at the earliest moment possible. But a tender regard for the truth compels me to state that they did not see the necessity in advance.

For a year or two after the Convention was organized, they had no thought or intention of establishing a newspaper. The enemies of truth and righteousness were ahead of them in using the printing press to disseminate their own views, and oppose the progress of the new movement. The agents who first went out to organize the Baptist forces of the State for aggressive work in missions and benevolence, found their enemies ahead of them with books and pamphlets which misrepresented their purposes and their plans, and sought, with every weapon which fanatical ingenuity could devise, to hinder them in their work. They were at a disadvantage. The spoken word was soon forgotten; the printed page remained; the speech could travel but a little ways, the printed matter went everywhere. At last the brethren found that they must have an organ of some sort, and at their request, November, 1833, Thomas Meredith, in the Spring of 1833, sent out the *Baptist Interpreter* from Edenton. It was a monthly journal, and while it was edited with singular ability, the brethren soon found that it did not meet their

wants or answer their purposes. After a year's trial the Convention, November, 1833, requested Mr. Meredith to establish a weekly paper at some point more accessible than Edenton. In answer to this request he removed to Newbern, and started the BIBLICAL RECORDER, at the close of 1834. In January, 1838, he transferred the RECORDER to Raleigh, where it has since been published. At once it infused a new spirit into every department of our denominational work. At the session for 1835, John Armstrong, Chairman of the Committee on Periodicals, stated that during the year the BIBLICAL RECORDER had been "a powerful auxiliary to the benevolent efforts of the age," and added: "It admits of a doubt with your Committee whether, as a convention, we could get along without the aid of a newspaper. We have no hesitation in saying that our success will be proportionate to the extent of its circulation. Your Committee cannot say too much in praise of the able and successful manner in which the editor has conducted his paper."

At every session since, by reports of committees and public addresses, the body has borne similar testimony to the great value of the paper in promoting denominational unity, harmony and efficiency.

The RECORDER has had five editors. Others have occupied the editorial chair for brief seasons, but it is needless to consider them separately. Of the five whose successive administrations cover as many successive periods of denominational development, I shall now speak.

It was a stormy sea on which Meredith launched the RECORDER. The old faith which the Baptists had held through the ages was assailed at every point. The doctrines of grace which made Paul feel himself a debtor to all men and bore him on his missionary journeys through the eastern limits of the Roman Empire; which has carried Carey to British India and Judson to Burmah; which had borne such gracious fruits in all parts of the South during the great revival of 1801–'2—these doctrines were denounced as arminianism, and it was sought to substitute for them a system of anti-nomianism, which should be a cover for covetousness and spiritual idleness. From this point, as a base of operations, the whole policy of the Baptists, evangelistic, educational and benevolent, was assailed. Ministerial education was ridiculed and denounced. The application for the charter of Wake Forest College created such an outcry, that it was secured only by the casting vote of the Speaker of the Senate. A member of the Legislature from one of the eastern counties was beaten in the next election, distinctly on the ground that he had voted for the charter, which, it was charged, was to vote for the union of Church and State.

Later, when Alexander Campbell was organizing his followers in Virginia, he made a tour through some of the eastern counties, seeking to draw the churches away from the old faith of our fathers, and created no little stir among them.

In these contests, and others of which there is not time now to speak, Meredith bore himself grandly, and amply justified the wisdom of the brethren in choosing him to the leadership of the denomination. When, in 1850, the pen dropped from his fingers forever, and his spirit entered into the rest that remaineth for the people of God, the battle had been won. The golden glory of complete triumph rested on the denominational lines throughout the State. The old faith had conquered. The Convention was no longer an experiment. The College was out of debt and was growing in popular favor. There was a female school of high grade and splendid equipment at Murfreesboro. There were also female schools of high character at Raleigh, Oxford, Rockford and other places. Yates was preaching the Gospel in China, and the Raleigh Association was pledged to support him. All the town and village churches, and many of those in the country, had Sunday-schools. The spirit of the churches was such as compelled the younger ministers to seek the best educational training which they could obtain before giving themselves to the active duties of their high calling. The policy enunciated by our

fathers in 1830 had triumphed at every point. There had been failure nowhere. To this grand victory Meredith had contributed no small portion. Meredith was mighty, mainly because of the newspaper which he controlled, and through whose columns he spoke.

After a brief interval from his death in 1850, Rev. J. J. James, of Caswell county, became editor, and a little later sole proprietor of the RECORDER. He had studied at Wake Forest College, and taken his degree from Columbian University, bringing to the duties of his office good business habits, a sound judgment, a cultivated taste, a large acquaintance among the Baptists of the State, and a considerable reputation as writer, teacher and preacher. The period of his administration may be called the "golden age" of the paper. It was successful as a financial venture, the Baptists of the State were, for the most part, pleased with its management, and the editor gained both reputation and influence from his labors.

During the whole of his administration the strength of the denomination, while not overlooking other departments of Christian endeavor, was directed mainly to the endowment of Wake Forest College, and the establishment of academies which should be feeders to the College. In 1857, after several years of trial, the endowment fund of $100,000 was completed, and the College was put beyond the risk of failure or embarrassment from ordinary causes. High schools were in successful operation at Reynoldson, in Gates county; Madison, in Rockingham county; Ashepole, in Robeson county; Holly Springs, in Wake county; Warsaw, in Duplin, and at other points when the civil war broke out. Early in the Spring of 1861, Mr. James sold the RECORDER to Rev. J. D. Hufham, of Duplin county, who became sole editor and proprietor, and retired to his plantation, on which he still resides.

The new administration witnessed the beginning and the dreadful closing of the most gigantic struggle of modern times. It is doubtful if the Baptists of the State have ever been more thoroughly alive and active than they were during those four years of anxious, sorrowful expectation and immeasurable suffering.

The churches sent their pastors to visit and preach to the boys in camp. Missionaries and colporters ministered regularly to the spiritual needs of the soldiers in camp, on the march and in the hospital. Great revivals followed these labors and thousands were converted to the faith of the gospel. These things stirred the hearts of the people at home and multitudes of the saved were brought into the fellowship of the churches. Shut out from the literature of the world the Baptists, with the other Christian people of the South, were very active in their efforts to provide religious reading for the soldiers and books for the Sunday-schools at home. In all this blessed work the RECORDER had a large share. It was the only religious newspaper in the South which did not suspend at all during the struggle. It went regularly as a messenger of comfort and hope to the home, and the fireside, and thousands of copies were sent to the soldiers in the field.

For a few months after the close of the war the publication was necessarily interrupted but promptly resumed on the opening of the mails. It gave no uncertain sound. It called on the Baptists of the State, stunned and dazed by the wreck of their estates, their homes and their hopes, to rally and reorganize their denominational work at every point. It was a dreadful time. Wake Forest College had lost its endowment, and the buildings and grounds were in a woful state of dilapidation. The Institute at Murfreesboro was loaded down with debt. Efforts in behalf of missions, except the work among the soldiers, had been suspended for four years. But with a faith and courage that were truly heroic the Baptists of the State entered upon the task of reorganizing and resuming their work all along the line. We look back to this stormy period in our history, and thank God for the man He had given us with the sublime faith and heroic spirit, who, standing amid our ruined for-

tunes and desolated homes, could sound the bugle notes of hope for his people and his State. We are more and more convinced as we read the history of God's people that He calls and endows men for the times and the seasons through which they are to pass. At this time when all seemed lost, the man of boundless hope, undaunted courage and loving heart, in warmest sympathy for his brethren and his State, stood at the helm and pointing to better days and better things for God and humanity, cheered the scattered churches onward in the work of reorganization. By nature and by grace he was the man for the hour, and to him as their leader the Baptists of North Carolina owe a debt of gratitude that is lovingly recognized by every worthy member of our churches. To write his life would be to write twenty-five years of Baptist history in North Carolina.

They had made considerable progress when, in 1867, the RECORDER passed into the hands of Mr. J. H. Mills, who for more than ten years had been successfully conducting a female college at Oxford.

Under his management the paper gained rapidly in popular favor. When, in 1873, he retired from the editorship to establish the Orphan Asylum at Oxford, a new and greatly needed enterprise in the State.

Many improvements at Wake Forest College had been made, and the effort to raise a new endowment had been so far successful as to show what could be done. In missions, in Sunday schools and in ministerial education the blessing of the Lord had rested on the labors and sacrifices of His people.

The present administration began July, 1875. It has been the longest but one in the history of the paper. It has had to discuss a great many critical and exciting questions, but in every instance it has spoken the sentiments of the people and the people have nobly stood by it. In no other period has the denomination of North Carolina grown so rapidly in numbers and efficiency. At least 150,000 of the white people of the State are members of our churches, while the colored churches have a membershlp of more than 100,000. No other Southern State has so large a number of laborers among the heathen. The Baptists of North Carolina have in China, Africa and Mexico thirty-two missionaries. The unification of the work of State Missions is now complete and the District Associations are working together through the Convention. The number of gifted and consecrated young men entering the ministry is steadily increasing. The Orphanage, the youngest of our enterprises, has been successful from the start and its capacity is enlarging year by year. Murfreesboro, the oldest and best equipped of our female seminaries, is free from debt and is enjoying a liberal patronage, as are our other female schools. Wake Forest College, with an invested endowment fund of $175,000, a complete equipment in the way of buildings, apparatus, &c., and an annual enrollment of more than 200 students, is the leading college of the State. All this after sixty years of toil and sacrifice. Truly, "the Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church by Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."

As to the place which the RECORDER has had in all this glorious work I do not wish to be misunderstood. It has simply been a helper; a very efficient helper, but only a helper. I repeat the words of John Armstrong, written and adopted by the Convention fifty-five years ago: "The BIBLICAL RECORDER has been a powerful auxiliary to the benevolent efforts of the age. It admits of a doubt with your Committee whether, as a Convention, we could now get along without a weekly newspaper. We have no hesitation in saying that our success will be proportionate to the extent of its circulation."

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	W. H. Hardee, Enfield	3	--	----	1	----	3	21	41	----	62
Antioch (Pitt)	A. G. Cox, Greenville	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Bear Swamp	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville	16	2	3	2	1	1	62	82	7	151
Bethel	J. W. Thomas, Bethel	3	----	----	1	----	----	12	14	----	26
Brown's	Howard Allen, Warrenton	----	10	----	5	2	----	52	71	----	123
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppege, Cedar Rock	----	----	----	1	1	----	61	79	----	140
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	2	10	----	----	----	----	6	6	----	12
Corinth	A. A. Demint, Louisburg	----	----	----	1	1	1	31	61	----	92
Conoconary	P. V. Tillery, Tillery	----	3	1	4	----	3	64	90	----	154
*Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope	----	----	----	---	----	----	------	------	----	71
Dawson's	J. H. Branch, Dawson's Cross Roads	1	4	----	3	----	2	42	56	----	98
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	----	1	1	----	3	1	24	43	----	67
Elm Grove	A. S. Bains, Oakland	4	--	2	2	----	----	34	79	----	113
Enterprise	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton	----	1	----	1	----	----	18	42	----	60
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	3	2	1	1	----	----	16	21	----	37
Free Chapel	T. A. Bone, Nashville	2	----	----	----	----	----	12	21	----	33
Fishing Greek	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood	11	1	1	----	----	----	35	37	----	72
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchhill	10	2	2	1	----	4	55	83	----	138
Greenville	D. J. Whichard, Greenville	10	5	5	1	4	1	28	64	----	92
Hamilton	F. H. Robertson, Hamilton	----	----	---	- -	3	----	23	40	----	63
Harriss' Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola	4	----	----	1	----	1	34	45	----	79
*Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock	----	--	---	----	----	--	------	------	----	63
John's Chapel	J. P. Underwood, Eatman	1	--	----	2	----	----	18	38	---	56
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	9	----	1	3	1	1	33	42	----	75
Louisburg	E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg	4	10	----	2	2	3	43	64	----	107
Mt. Vernon	A. C. Thomas, Battleboro	14	5	- --	----	5	--	28	29	--	57
Mildred	W. A. Thigpen, Mildred	----	--	----	----	---	----	9	15	----	24
Middleburg	W. H. Kimball, Roten, Middleburg	3	6	----	----	2	2	17	25	----	42
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	3	1	----	1	----	4	30	60	----	90

Mt. Zion	T. G. Gupton, Mapleville	7	2	3	1	----	----	56	89	----	145
Mt. Hebron	E. J. Lanier, Ransom's Bridge	----	----	----	----	----	----	------	------	----	99
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	6	4	----	2	2	----	13	18	----	31
New Hope	J. T. Dew, Wilson	2	3	--	1	4	----	------	------	---	69
New Bethel	R H. Duke, Epsom's	5	2	1	----	3	1	54	105	----	159
Pleasant Grove	V. B. Matthews, Nashville	20	1	----	----	----	3	37	79	1	117
Poplar Spring	Jno. Griffin, Sutton	13	8	----	----	4	---	93	188	----	281
Peach Tree	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunt's	1	----	----	----	3	2	58	102	----	160
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Duke's	3	3	3	5	5	1	------	------	----	149
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus	3	---	2	----	----	---	22	26	--	48
Pine Forest	D. L. Beach, Everitt's	---	3	----	----	1	----	------	------	----	46
Quankie	J. J. Cullam, Weldon	13	----	----	3	----	----	42	66	----	108
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	13	2	2	1	3	----	39	73	----	112
Rehoboth	G. T. Cooley, Rocky Mount	----	----	----	2	----	----	40	50	----	90
Reedy Creek	D. P. Davis, Creek	23	3	2	11	----	3	73	118	----	191
Rocky Mount	W. B. Spiers, Rocky Mount	21	8	3	5	----	2	34	53	----	87
*Red Bud	Samuel Harper, Castalia	10	5	----	----	----	1	84	120	----	204
Samaria	D. S. Cane, Spring Hope	---	2	----	7	4	1	54	128	----	182
Social Plains	H. C. Hagwood, Union Hope	----	----	----	1	3	----	18	33	----	57
Spring Hope	S. M. Wheeliss, Spring Hope	3	5	---	----	----	---	7	6	----	13
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	9	7	----	3	----	1	102	134	----	236
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg	2	1	----	2	1	--	4	9	----	13
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains	12	----	----	2	5	3	41	77	----	118
Sulphur Springs	J. L. Rodgers, Brodie	----	----	--	----	----	----	18	24	---	42
Sandy Creek	N. Davis, Cedar Rock	5	----	2	4	---	2	63	134	3	200
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	24	10	----	34	6	1	------	--- --	---	48
Turkey Branch	W. J. Mohorn, Brinkleyville	1	----	----	3	3	1	24	30	----	54
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	12	----	----	5	----	----	16	26	----	42
Wilson	J. J. Atkinson. Wilson	20	3	3	8	10	1	67	101	----	168
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	18	2	2	2	4	1	58	73	----	131
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	12	7	----	----	---	1	29	39	----	68
Williamston	A. Nelsota, Williamston	9	----	----	1	----	2	10	28	--	38
Washington	W. W. Thomas, Washington	1	2	----	----	----	1	------	------	---	27
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	1	2	----	9	1	1	32	73	----	105
		372	149	40	142	87	55	2,211	3,130	11	5,828

*Last year's statistics.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS, AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	School Expenses.	No. Volumes in Library.	Contributions by School.	No. Quarterlies Taken.	Other Papers.
Antioch	B. T. Parker, Heathville	9	21	$		$		
Bear Swamp	W. E. Bowers, Brinkleyville	7	36					
Bethel	J. H. Johnson, Bethel	3	40	11 99		12 99	80	
Brown's	Howard Allen, Warrenton	14	71	71 00			83	
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	12	76	20 00	100	10 00	75	
Corinth	E. W. Green, Epsom	16	60					5
Conoconary	L. B. Willowford, Crowell's	6	50			5 00	10	
Dawson's	J. T. Lawrence, Dawson's Cross Roads	10	48	5 00		5 00	80	
Ephesus	S. J. Bachelor, Spring Hope	5	40		110	3 00		
Enterprise	Henry Bobbitt, Littleton	4	40	6 00	58		35	
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	4	29	23 90	50	11 90	33	
Greenville	D. L. James, Greenville	14	100	71 20	536	172 50	150	
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	17	82	9 50		12 54	82	
Hamilton	J. H. White, Hamilton	12	52	21 32	75	26 82	60	
Harriss' Chapel	W. E. Mabry, Essex	7	25	2 00			25	
John's Chapel	J. W. B. Finch, Eatman	3	50				64	
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	9	50	22 00	100	12 00	60	
Louisburg	G. C. Harriss, Louisburg	8	72			50 00		114
Mt. Vernon	R. E. Shearin, Battleboro	8	38	12 00	80	6 00		
*Midria								
Middleburg	J. D. Fleming, Middleburg	6	40	9 38			150	
Maple Spring	A. W. Perry, Maplesville	12	60	32 38	200		100	
Mt. Zion	W. T. Cooper, Laurel	8	60	8 20		15 00	60	
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	6	50			10 00		5

New Bethel	B. F. Stainback, Epsom	8	25	4 00			40	
Pleasant Grove	J. A. Vallentine, Oakland	6	88	2 40			84	
Poplar Spring	J. B. Baker, Sutton	22	187			21 00		50
Philadelphia	C. E. Hedgepeth Duke's	7	80	2 50	40	1 50	18	
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus	6	40	20 00	52	5 00		104
Pine Forest	J. A. Whitley, Everett's	7	50			4 00	25	
Quankie	G. A. Branch, Weldon	9	35	4 50			36	
Rock Spring	B. F. Wilder, Louisburg	8	50	2 50				
Rehoboth	Lawson Knott, Hilliardston	5	25					
Rocky Mount		7	50	40 00	200	68 62		130
Social Plains	H. C. Hagwood, Union Hope	5	50		50			
Spring Hope	J. F. Fulford, Spring Hope	9	85	6 00			48	
Scotland Neck	Dr. R. M. Johnson, Scotland Neck	22	200	100 00	750	150 00	418	
Sharon	N. G. Perkinson, Warren Plains	5	48	5 20			46	
Sulphur Springs	J. T. Rogers, Brodie	9	35	2 50		1 35	24	
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Laurel	11	80		95	8 29		1
Tarboro	Reports four schools with all told		200	50 00			156	
Toisnot	W. D. Carter, Toisnot	6	70	25 00			80	
Wilson	A. N. Daniel, Wilson	13	95		200	75 00		68
Warren Plains	T. W. Shearin, Warren Plains	12	87	34 23	200	33 35	124	
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	6	48	45 42		21 52	103	
Williamston	S. F. Williams, Williamston	6	75			49 37	70	7
Williamston, Br'ch 1	J. B. Quartermas, Williamston		50					
Williamston, Br'ch 2	G. W. Andrews, Williamston		50					
Warrenton	J. W. Williams, Warrenton	13	89	48 55	236	2 84	160	
Washington	W. W. Thomas, Washington	8	50					
		410	3,132	$ 718 67	3,132	$739 59	2,573	484

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor	Minute Fund.	Repairs.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associati'l Missions.	Home Missions.	Education	Orphanage	Other Objects.	Aged Ministers.	Total.
Antioch	$	$	$	$ 50	$	$	$	$ 6 00	$	$	$	$	$	$ 6 50
Antioch (Pitt)														
Bear Swamp	150	12 00	15 00	1 50	50 00		2 50	150 00	2 50	5 00	21 00			409 50
Bethel	50	6 87		40	90		1 25	5 00			1 70	36 25		102 37
Brown's	150			1 65		15 00	9 83	50 00	10 40	10 26	49 06	7 00		303 20
Cedar Rock	125			1 50			1 00	15 00		5 00	20 00			167 50
Crocker's Chapel	50			50										50 50
Corinth	150			2 00			5 00	5 00		5 00	5 00			172 00
Conoconary	100			2 50				20 00			1 45			123 95
Cypress Chapel														
Dawson's	125	8 00	20 00			2 47				1 86	2 50			159 83
Ephesus	75			1 50		1 16	1 16	20 00						101 82
Elm Grove				1 10				5 00						6 10
Enterprise	50			50										50 50
Enfield	100	13 50		50				5 50						119 50
Free Chapel				60				5 00			2 00			7 60
Fishing Creek	100	13 00		1 50		1 50	1 30	10 00	1 32	5 00	2 75			136 37
Gardner's	150	1 35	2 08	2 00	14 24	2 60	6 35		6 42	1 32	9 00			195 36
Greenville	550	75 00	10 00	2 00	200 00	33 70	30 00		20 00	6 55	45 00	250 00	5 00	3,037 25
Hamilton		20 45		2 00	50 80	2 20	2 55	25 00			2 00			120 00
Harriss' Chapel	100			1 25				15 00		1 00				117 25
Hickory														
John's Chapel	25			75	2 00	20	20	5 00			25			33 35
Littleton		18 00	2 50	2 00	3 37	1 50			3 30	10 00	1 15	80 00		121 82
Louisburg	600	60 00		1 00				175 00	20 00	20 00	10 00	100 00		966 00
Mt. Vernon	100	25 00		1 50	135 00			15 00						276 50
Mildred														
Middleburg	100	30 31	75	50		10 78	2 41		5 00	5 00	5 44			160 25
Maple Spring	100			2 00			3 00	25 00	3 00	5 00	10 00			148 00
Mt. Zion	150			1 50			2 00	25 00	1 00	5 00	2 10			186 60

Mt. Hebron															
Nashville	100	15 00		1 00		1 00	1 00	7 00	1 00	1 00	2 00				139 00
New Hope				1 00				5 00							6 00
New Bethel	100			1 50		1 00	2 00	10 00	1 00						115 50
Pleasant Grove	50			1 50			1 00	5 00							57 50
Poplar Spring	150	8 20		2 00		2 02	5 73	20 00	5 00		2 32	5 41			200 66
Peach Tree				1 15				10 00							11 15
Philadelphia	100			1 50			2 00	13 00	2 00	1 00	4 00				123 50
Pactolus	100	75 00		1 00			5 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	9 00				210 00
Pine Forest				1 00	300 00			5 00							306 00
Quankie	125			1 00			1 00	10 00	1 21	3 20					141 41
Rock Spring			18 55	1 50			21 00	15 00	10 00		5 00				71 05
Rehoboth	100	5 00		1 00	3 00	3 00	1 00		1 00	1 00	1 00				166 00
Reedy Creek	100			2 00				25 00		10 00	12 00	6 25			155 25
Rocky Mount	300	50 00		1 00	250 00		5 00	25 00	5 00	5 00	10 00				651 00
Red Bud			2 75	1 00			1 00	10 00	1 00	2 00	2 45				
Samaria	75		6 66	2 00				10 00							93 66
Social Plains				25				1 00							1 25
Spring Hope	100	8 00	1 50	40	50 00										159 90
Scotland Neck	1,000	150 00	100 00	2 00	10 00	25 00	5 00	300 00	5 00	12 00	525 00	1 00			2,022 00
Sharpsburg	25	5 00		50		1 50	1 00	4 00		2 00	1 00				40 00
Sharon	125	2 00	5 00	1 50	5 00	15 74	2 17	25 00	5 70	6 08	16 71				204 80
Sulphur Springs	40	18 00		50				35		1 00					49 85
Sandy Creek				1 25											1 25
*Tarboro		40 00					25 00	1 25							66 25
Turkey Branch				1 00											1 00
Toisnot		29 00		1 00		3 00	3 00		4 00						40 00
Wilson	1,000	180 00		2 50		5 25		6 30			30 00				1,224 08
Warren Plains	100	20 74	9 11	1 15	118 53		4 11		2 00	1 00	12 75				269 59
Weldon	350	45 97	24 00	1 00	85 00	9 75	13 00	35 00	11 75	35 00	68 84	66 61			745 92
*Williamston	300	47 34		2 00		2 62	11 65	15 00			113 00	71 50			777 03
Washington				1 00											1 00
Warrenton	550	81 30	11 20	1 50	41 00	29 61	21 20	100 00	4 60	33 15	168 22				1,160 03
	$8,040	$1,144 03	$739 10	$70 45	$3,119.14	$169 40	$199 41	$1,149 40	$136 20	$202 42	$973 79	$624 01	$5		$16,469 05

*Tarboro reports $6,000 spent for lot and building house.
†Williamston $313.92 spent for building baptistry.

FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE.

Churches	Missions. Foreign.	State.	Home.	Associational.	Education.	Orphanage.	Minutes.
Antioch	$	$	$	$ 6 00	$	$	$ 1 50
Bethel	1 25			5 00			40
Bear Swamp				45 85			1 35
Brown's				50 00			1 65
Corinth				20 00			2 00
Crocker's Chapel							50
Cypress Chapel							
Cedar Rock	1 00			15 00	5 00		1 50
Conoconary				20 00			2 50
Dawson's				15 00			
Enfield				5 50			50
Enterprise				5 00			30
Elm Grove				5 00			1 10
Ephesus	1 16		3 16	21 00		3 00	1 50
Fishing Creek		1 50		10 00	5 00	2 75	1 50
Free Chapel				5 00			60
Gardner's				20 00			2 00
*Greenville			6 50	23 70	6 55		2 00
Hamilton							
Hickory				14 97			
Harriss' Chapel				15 00	1 00		1 25
John's Chapel	20		20	5 00		25	75
Louisburg				150 00	20 00	10 00	1 00
Littleton							2 00
Mt. Vernon				15 00			1 50
Mt. Hebron							
Mt. Zion	2 00		1 00	25 00	5 00	2 10	1 50
Mt. Lebanon							
Maple Springs				25 00	5 00	6 00	2 00
Middleburg				10 00			50
Nashville	1 00	1 00	1 00	7 00	1 00	2 00	1 00
New Bethel	2 00	1 00	1 00	10 00			1 50
New Hope				5 00			1 00
Pactolus	5 00		5 00	10 00			1 00
Pine Forest				5 00			1 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00			5 00			1 50
Philadelphia	2 00	2 00		13 00	1 00	4 00	1 60
Peach Tree				10 00			1 15
Poplar Springs	5 00			20 00			2 00
Quankie				10 00	3 20		1 00
Rock Spring				15 00			1 50
Red Bud							
Rocky Mount	5 00		5 00	25 00	5 00	10 00	1 00
Reedy Creek				10 00			2 00
Rehoboth	2 00	1 00	1 00	12 05	1 00	1 00	1 00
Sulphur Springs				35	1 00		50
Spring Hope							40
Social Plains				1 00			25
Samaria				10 00			2 00
Sharon				25 00			1 50
Sandy Creek							1 25
Scotland Neck				300 00			2 00
Sharpsburg	1 00	1 50		4 00	2 00	1 00	50
Toisnot				10 00			1 00
Tarboro				1 25			
Turkey Branch							1 00
Williamston				15 00			2 00
Warrenton				100 00			1 50
Wilson				6 30			2 50
Weldon				20 00			1 00
Warren Plains				10 00		1 00	1 15
Washington							1 00
Total	$29 61	$ 8 00	$23 86	$1,191 97	$61 75	$43 10	$70 20

Private Contributions to Associational Missions.	
W. E. Bower	$ 100 00
Louis Watson	5 00
Walter Allen	5 00
J. A. Tunstil	5 00
J. W. Allen	2 50
J. W. Smithwick	2 50
J. W. Sledge	5 00
G. M. Duke	27 50
W. H. Lewis	5 00
A. G. Wilcox	10 00
Mrs. R. D. Fleming	10 00
C. T. Bailey	10 00
H. A. Nicholson	2 00
J. H. Tucker	10 00
Mrs. Susan Pitt	5 00
H. B. S. Pitt	6 00
E. W. Timberlake and wife	15 00
C. M. Cook	10 00
J. M. Neal	5 00
J. B Read	1 00
Sister Sherol Sledge	5 00
W. T. Cooper	1 00
J. J. Cooper	1 00
W. T. Wilder	2 50
C. M. Bartholomew	1 00
R. D. Harper	3 00
G. Rice	2 50
J. J. Bobbitt	2 50
J. A. Sheppard	1 00
Jesse A Carter	2 00
W. D. Carter	2 50
V. B. Carter	3 50
R. D. Fleming	10 00
W. E. Daniel	10 00
W. B. Morton	5 00
M. S. Griffin	5 00
Miss M. Griffin	1 00
J. F. Love	5 00
	$ 305 00

*Greenville Church sends for Aged Ministers' Fund, $5.00.

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BARKLEY, J. G ..... Rocky Mount.
BATTLE, H. W ..... Wilson.
BRIDGES, J. A ..... Spring Hope.
CADE, BAYLUS ..... Louisburg.
CURTIS, L. M ..... Scotland Neck.
COPPEDGE, G ..... Moore's Mills.
DRIVER, R ..... Mapleville.
DUKE, G. M ..... Duke's.
DOWELL, G. J ..... Williamston.
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MORTON, N. B ..... Weldon.
NOBLE, J. W ..... Greenville.
NEWELL, G. W ..... Mapleville.
PACE, J. R ..... Bethel.
PERNELL, M. R ..... Louisburg.
PITCHFORD, J. A ..... Littleton.
PERKINSON, LEVI ..... Warren Plains.
SLEDGE, J. W ..... Cedar Rock.
TAYLOR, T. J ..... Warrenton.
WILLCOX, A. G ..... Brinkleyville.

LICENTIATES.

PARKER, W. Y. C ..... Warrenton.
COLLINS, B. B ..... Laurel.

PROCEEDINGS.

WARRENTON, October 8th, 1891.

The Sixty-first Annual Session of the Tar River Association met with the church here to-day. After a praise service, led by Rev. J. F. Love, the Moderator called the body to order, and the Association was led in prayer by A. G. Willcox.

Bro. N. L. Shaw was appointed Reading Clerk, and brethren W. C. Y. Parker and Howard Allen were appointed Committee on Finance.

Roll-call showed the following representation :

Antioch—
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, Paul Bowers, N. Chichester.
Bethel—J. H. Johnson.
Brown's—S. P. Phipps, J. W. Burroughs, W. B. Ham.
Cedar Rock—John A. Coppedge, S. J. Matthews, S. R. Boon.
Crocker's Chapel—E. J. Crocker.
Corinth—C. B. Ellington, A. Dement, J. L. Jackson.
Conoconary—Jas. H. Pope.
Cypress Chapel—W. B. Stallings.
Dawson's—W. E. Barkley, C. E. Pope, John Weeks.
Ephesus—W. W. Batchelor, W. P. Lamm, L. C. Lamm.
Elm Grove—T. R. Batchelor.
Enterprise—J. T. Neal.
Enfield—Lewis Pike.
Free Chapel—By letter.
Fishing Creek—W. W. Rosser, T. P. Alford.
Gardner's—W. A. Pegram, Jos. W. Shearin, John C. Gardner.
Greenville—H. J. Hester.
Hamilton—By letter.
Harris' Chapel—W. Y. King, Chester Wood.
Hickory—W. S. Dozier, J. M. Edwards, W. S. Gardner.
John's Chapel—G. W. Finch, C. B. Cowthan.
Littleton—Ivy Allen, L. W. Bagley, H. J. Cordle.
Louisburg—E. W. Timberlake, L. H. Jones, C. M. Cooke, Jr.
Mt. Vernon—J. R. Read, J. M. Neal, G. W. Ward.
Mildred—C. E. T. Might, C. M. Cobb.
Middleburg—C. J. Burton, W. H. Kimball, G. S. Champion.
Maple Springs—A. W. Perry, J. H. Wester, A. W. Jackson.
Mt. Zion—C. M. Bartholomey.
Mt. Hebron—By letter.
Nashville—Rev. G. M. Duke, L. M. Conyers.
New Hope—J. T. Dew.
New Bethel—W. B. Daniel, J. W. Stokes.
Pleasant Grove—
Poplar Spring—J. A. Pippen, L. H. Joyner, W. H. Carter.
Peach Tree—G. Rice.
Philadelphia—W. H. Lewis, T. M. Duke.
Pactolus—By letter.
Pine Forest—By letter.
Quankie—Robert Branch.
Rock Spring—J. H. Odum, B. F. Wilder, Henry Ethridge.
Rehoboth—A. A. Coley.
Reedy Creek—J. W. Riggan, Stephen Duke, Wm. Tucker.
Rocky Mount—Rev. J. F. Love, J. J. Coley, A. J. Williams.
Red Bud—L. R. Pearce, M. V. Lancaster.

Samaria—B. T. Strickland.
Social Plains—By letter.
Spring Hope—S. M. Wheeless, J. E. Timberlake.
Scotland Neck—N. Biggs, R. M. Johnson.
Sharpsburg—
Sharon—Rev. L. C. Perkinson, P. F. King, P. R. Perkinson.
Sulphur Springs—J. T. Rodgers, Jos. A. Shepherd, J. B. Mangum.
Sandy Creek—C. E. Gupton, B. B. Collins.
Tarboro—Rev. J. D. Huf ham.
Turkey Branch—W. H. Hull, B. F. Higgs.
Toisnot—Rev. J. F. Love.
Wilson—B. T. Briggs, G. W. Blount, L. R. Jordan.
Warren Plains—W. E. Bugg, W. E. Hawks, Alex. Edwards.
Weldon—Rev. W. B. Morton, W. E. Daniel, C. P. Rodwell.
Williamston—W. G. Speight.
Washington—By letter.
Warrenton—W. L. Shaw, W. T. Johnson, W. Y. C. Parker.

The letters being read, the Association went into permanent organization by re-electing the former officers, W. E. Bowers, Moderator, and A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer.

Rev. W. B. Morton, of Weldon, preached the Introductory Sermon. Text: Romans viii: 31. A most comforting, able, forceful gospel sermon.

Bro. Montgomery, for the church and community, extended a cordial welcome to delegates and visitors, and was most happily replied to by Bro. G. M. Duke.

New churches making application for membership into our Association were called for, when the church at Henderson presented a letter from Flat River Association, which was received. Also the churches at Hobgood and Macon presented letters, which were referred to a committee, consisting of brethren G. M. Duke, J. F. Love and W. B. Morton, to examine articles of faith, covenant, &c.

Brethren T. J. Taylor, G. M. Duke and John Sledge were appointed a Committee on Order of Business, who made their report, which was adopted.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, and accepted by Bro. Bailey of the *Recorder*, Bro. Gwaltney, representing the Board of Education, Rev. C. A. Woodson, Corresponding Secretary of the Aged Minister's Relief Board; J. H. Mills, Baptist Orphanage; Bro. Edwards, *N. C. Baptist.*

Adjourned with prayer by Bro. Love.

NIGHT SESSION.

Association was called to order and led in prayer by Rev. C. A. Woodson. After reading church letters and enrolling delegates, the report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. Hunter, and discussed in most interesting and telling speeches by Bros. VanDeventer and A. D. Hunter.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The duty to give the Gospel to all nations is binding on Christians of all ages. Our Minutes for last year show a membership of 5,828, and yet we only gave $199.40 to help in sustaining the great Foreign Mission work. Practically, we are doing nothing for Foreign Missions, compared with our strength and what we are doing at home. Your committee recommend the appointment of a committee of three to arrange an aggressive move in line with the centennial effort of next year, and also to prepare a special programme on this subject for our next session.

A. D. HUNTER,
Ch'mn Committee.

Roll of churches called, and the following amounts pledged for next year:

Henderson	$100 00	Crocker's Chapel	$ 5 00
Greenville	50 00	Cypress Chapel	5 00
Warrenton	50 00	Enterprise	5 00
New Bethel	30 00	Gardner's	5 00
Louisburg	25 00	John's Chapel	5 00
Brown's	25 00	Mildred	5 00
Rocky Mount	25 00	Mt. Vernon	5 00
Scotland Neck	25 00	Middleburg	5 00
Tarboro	25 00	Maple Springs	5 00
Weldon	20 00	New Hope	5 00
Philadelphia	15 00	Poplar Springs	5 00
Bear Swamp	10 00	Red Bud	5 00
Ephesus	15 00	Spring Hope	5 00
Fishing Creek	10 00	Sulphur Springs	5 00
Littleton	15 00	Turkey Branch	5 00
Harris' Chapel	10 00	Toisnot	5 00
Hickory	10 00	Warren Plains	5 00
Mt. Zion	10 00	W. H. Speight	5 00
Rehoboth	10 00	W. E. Bugg	2 00
Reedy Creek	10 00		
Samaria	10 00	Total	$597 00
Cedar Rock	5 00		

The report as amended was adopted.

Motion offered by Bro. Huf ham to meet next year on Wednesday to have an additional day to devote to the Foreign Mission work, passed, and brethren VanDeventer, Cade and Hunter were appointed a committee to arrange programme for the same.

PROGRAMME FOR CENTENNIAL OF MISSIONS.

THURSDAY FORENOON.

9:30—Devotional Thanksgiving for Success in Missions—T. J. Taylor.
10:30—The Grounds of our Obligation to Evangelize the World—J. D. Huf ham.
12 M—Recess.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

2—The Part of Baptists in the Progress of Missions in this Century—A. D. Hunter.
3—The Potency of Prayer in Mission Work—W. B. Morton.
4—The School as an Adjunct of Mission Work—W. A. Montgomery.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

8—Woman's Work in Missions—N. B. Cobb.

The main speeches to be limited to forty-five minutes, to be followed by short talks.

R. VANDEVENTER,
Ch'mn of Committee.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Love.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9½ O'clock.

Association assembled. Praise service led by Bro. Joyner.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES.

Your Committee on New Churches have examined the constitutions, covenant and articles of faith of Hobgood and Macon Baptist churches and recommend that the Association receive them.

G. M. DUKE,
J. F. LOVE,
T. J. TAYLOR,
Committee.

Report on Associational Missions was read by Bro. Huf ham.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

There have been eleven brethren at work in different parts of the Association during the year. This is rather a smaller number than usual, but it has been impossible to find men for the work.

Elder A. G. Willcox has been preaching over a month at Harrison's Shop. He has baptized thirteen persons, and land and lumber have been given for building a house of worship. He has also been preaching at Ringwood where there are most encouraging indications.

Elder J. F. Love has been laboring at Rocky Mount and places around. He has baptized more than fifty in his field, and there has been rapid improvement in all parts of it. Rocky Mount calls for all his time hereafter, and it will be necessary to put a man in the other parts of his field.

Elder A. D. Hunter has been laboring in Pitt county. He has baptized about thirty persons. There has been such rapid growth in the territory occupied by him that it will be necessary to put another man to relieve him of a part of the work.

Elder J. W. Sledge has been preaching at Sulphur Springs and John's Chapel, and has baptized eight persons.

Elder L. M. Curtis has been preaching at five points in Halifax county. Five have been baptized and a church has been organized at Hobgood. A neat and substantial house of worship, known as Salisbury Memorial Church, has been erected at that place.

Elder W. B. Morton has been laboring at two points near Weldon and has baptized six persons.

Elder J. R. Pace has given all his time to Bethel, Mildred, Eagle's and Penny Hill, in Edgecombe and Pitt counties. He has done earnest and faithful work, and an additional man will be needed on his field next year.

Elder G. J. Dowell has been giving all his time to points in Martin county. He has baptized a number of persons and his work has been greatly prospered, though we are without details.

Elder J. F. Tuttle has been preaching twice a month at Washington. Difficulties have been removed and we may hope for larger results in the coming year.

Elder J. R. Matthews has been laboring at Pantego, where he has baptized several persons, and his labors have been otherwise greatly blessed.

Elder J. O. Alderman has been at Oregon Mills and Aurora. At the latter point, especially, he reports the prospects as very bright.

Elder N. B. Cobb has been doing missionary work at points in the upper part of the Association. He has organized a church at Macon, at which point he is laboring to build a house of worship, to be called Watson Memorial Church.

Elder L. C. Perkinson has been engaged at Enterprise. He has labored faithfully and well, but we are without detailed information as to results.

Your committee recommend that larger contributions be made next year.

COMMITTEE.

Report was discussed by brethren Huf ham, Duke and Cade.

Roll of churches was called, and the following amounts pledged for next year:

Scotland Neck	$200 00
Wilson	100 00
Louisburg	75 00
Henderson	65 00
Warrenton	50 00
Tarboro	50 00
Rocky Mount	30 00
Bear Swamp	50 00
Brown's	50 00
Greenville	50 00
Weldon	45 00
Maple Springs	25 00
Mt. Zion	25 00
Sharon	25 00
N. Biggs	25 00
Gardner's	20 00
Harris' Chapel	20 00
Poplar Springs	20 00
Rehoboth	20 00
Cedar Rock	15 00
Fishing Creek	15 00
Hamilton	15 00
Littleton	15 00
Battleboro	15 00
Rock Springs	15 00
Red Bud	15 00
Hickory	15 00
Toisnot	15 00
Ephesus	10 00
Mildred	10 00
Middleburg	10 00
Nashville	10 00
New Bethel	10 00
Pactolus	$ 10 00
Quankie	10 00
Reedy Creek	10 00
Samaria	10 00
Warren Plains	10 00
Pine Forest	10 00
G. M. Duke	10 00
Bethel	5 00
Crocker's Chapel	5 00
Corinth	5 00
Cypress Chapel	5 00
Elm Grove	5 00
Enterprise	5 00
Enfield	5 00
Pleasant Grove	5 00
W. H. Lewis	10 00
T. M. Duke	10 00
M. S. Griffin	10 00
J. R. Rose	10 00
Sulphur Springs	5 00
B. B. Collins	5 00
Turkey Branch	5 00
H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
Mrs. H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
John Sledge	5 00
L. W. Bagley	5 00
Mrs. C. A. Strickland	5 00
Macon	3 00
C. M. Bartholomey	2 50
G. Ward (paid)	1 00
Jos. Read (paid)	1 00
Total	$1,327 50

Report again called for and read, and amended by the following resolution, which passed the body:

Resolved, That the report of the Executive Committee upon the subject of Associational Missions, shall hereafter include a tabulated statement of the work done by missionaries, and the amounts expended upon the several fields.

Report as amended passed.

Report on Periodicals was read by Bro. Lewis, discussed by Brother Bailey and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Baptist denomination is rich in the abundance and in the excellence of its periodical literature. First and foremost, as demanding our support and encouragement, we mention the *Biblical Recorder*, the organ of our denomination in North Carolina; *Charity and Children*, and also papers published in our State, which are true to our noble work,

and have been helpful to many of our brethren. We mention the *Home Field*, the *Foreign Mission Journal*, the *Kind Words Series*, and Sunday-school papers, and the publications of the American Baptist Publication Society, as papers published outside of our State, which are in every way worthy of our confidence. We especially direct the attention of our Sunday-school workers to the obligation that is resting upon them, to take and to *use* the Sunday-school publications of the Southern Baptist Convention.

W. H. LEWIS.

Report on Aged Minister's Relief Fund was read by Bro. Shaw for the Committee, and the claims of the Board clearly set before the body by Rev. C. A. Woodson. A cash collection amounting to $28.35 was taken, and pledges as follows: G. W. Blount, $10; Mr. V. L. Pendleton, $1; Mrs. M. F. Jenkins, 50c.; M. H. Duke, 50c.

LOUISBURG, N. C., October 2d, 1891.

To the Tar River Baptist Association:

Having been appointed at the last meeting of your body to report on the Aged Minister's Relief Fund, I submit the following, furnished me by the Corresponding Secretary of the Board: "We have now eight preachers and two widows on our list of beneficiaries, and need funds now badly to meet their pressing wants. We have paid each beneficiary something, but have not the money to send them monthly payments, as most of them ask, and as we hope to do later on." He further says: "Our financial status may be thus stated:

Total receipts		$353 01
Reserve fund	$117 67	
Paid to beneficiaries	142 75	
Stationery, postage, printing, &c	13 48	
		273 90
Balance on hand (for use)		$ 79 11

It is a matter of very serious regret that a wider and deeper interest has not been awakened in this work, and it is astonishing to some persons that there should be any opposition to it. The objection that there is no necessity for it cannot be sustained, and that it will lessen contributions to other objects, will not prove to be true, for there are those who believe that giving to this fund systematically would promote the giving to all benevolent objects. Besides, where one feels in his heart a desire to help these aged ministers, who have spent their best strength working for the Master, and finds others with a like desire, if they should put their mites together and bestow them upon these needy ones, the Lord's poor, where is the ambassador of the meek and lowly Jesus who will dare to forbid or oppose them?

I would respectfully suggest that you re-adopt the report of the committee on this subject at your last meeting, "Recommending that this object be adopted as a part of our Convention work, that contributions be regularly taken for the same and forwarded to the Treasurer of that Board, and the amounts be reported to our annual Association. We further recommend that the delegates of the Association to the State Convention press the importance of this movement in that body, and endeavor to procure systematic contributions from all the churches in the State."

I would further suggest that you urge the churches in the Association that cannot or will not make frequent contributions, to make at least an annual one and send up to the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. BARROW.

Committee on Time and Place and Preachers appointed, E. W. Timberlake, L. W. Bagley, W. H. Lewis.

Executive Committee of last year were re-appointed.

Bro. Huf ham made a statement in regard to the church in Tarboro, and received in pledges the following amounts: A. D. Hunter, $5; H. W. Battle, $5; T. J. Taylor, $5; N. E. Bowers, $5; J. W. Sledge, $1.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Durham.

NIGHT SESSION.

Association assembled and was led in prayer by Dr. Cobb.

Visiting brethren again welcomed, brethren Mills and Linneau.

Report on Ministerial Education was read by Bro. G. M. Duke, and discussed by Bro. Duke and Bro. Gwaltney, and report was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The ministry with us is a calling, not a profession to be taken up and laid down at pleasure. We believe our Lord calls men to preach His gospel, and that without this call no man should attempt it. We believe the Holy Spirit gives to those called a fitness for the work that nothing else can give. We believe that with this call comes the obligation to those called to avail themselves of every means in their power to fit themselves for their responsible work in all its details. Our Lord calls men from all ranks in life to preach. Some of these men are educated, some are without means to educate themselves. Our brethren in sympathy with these, and realizing the need of a truly educated ministry, generously propose to assist those with their prayers and means.

We are glad to report Wake Forest College as prospering beyond its former history with more than two hundred thousand endowment and over two hundred and twenty students. Among this number are sixty-nine young men studying for the ministry. The Board of Education has adopted forty of these for this year, giving to each one eight dollars and sixty cents per month, which amount pays their board, washing and room rent. These are young preachers of great promise, and the labors of many of them during the past summer were greatly blessed of the Lord. They are boarding in the club-houses, and hence are costing the Board less than when they had to take their meals in the boarding-houses before the club-houses were established. About six others are at the College, with only money enough to pay their way till Christmas. If the means are not then sufficient to justify the Board in adopting them, they will have to leave.

Your Commtttee have watched with prayerful interest the life and labors of several of these brethren with whom he has preached, and their prayerfulness, piety and efficiency in the pulpit and out of it, leaves no room for doubt that the Lord has set to this work the seal of His approval. It therefore merits the continuance of our earnest support. Your Committee recommend larger contributions for this object in the future. We need more men truly qualified in heart by the Holy Spirit and thoroughly trained in mind, both in the Home and Foreign field.

We have several brethren in our Association looking to the ministry, one of these licensed by Sandy Creek church. Your Committee recommend that you notice the request made by Sandy Creek in its church letter, asking help for him to go to school at home.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. DUKE, *Committee.*

Report on Orphanage was read by Bro. Taylor, and Bro. Mills told us of the needs and workings of the institution.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

The duty of providing for the helpless poor is laid upon the people of God by our blessed Lord, and we are not guiltless in His sight if we neglect this duty. We are taught that that man's religion is vain if it does not lead him to hasten to the relief of his needy and suffering neighbor. God has graciously given us the opportunity of providing for the support and training of the helpless orphans of our dead brethren and sisters. In order that we may do this work effectively, we have established The Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville. We commend this work to the Tar River Association, in the confident assurance that you will rally to the support of the helpless orphans that we have gathered in our Orphanage. Let us thank God for the obligation He has devolved upon us, and hasten to discharge it.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. TAYLOR.

Roll of churches called and pledges taken as follows:

Scotland Neck	$300 00	Mt. Vernon	$ 5 00
Warrenton	150 00	Mildred	5 00
Greenville	60 00	Maple Springs	5 00
Tarboro	60 00	Mt. Zion	5 00
Weldon	60 00	Nashville	5 00
Bear Swamp	25 00	Poplar Springs	5 00
Louisburg	25 00	Peach Tree	5 00
Rocky Mount	25 00	Rehoboth	5 00
Littleton	15 00	Spring Hope	5 00
Brown's	10 00	Sulphur Springs	5 00
Fishing Creek	10 00	Sandy Creek	5 00
Harris' Chapel	10 00	Williamston	5 00
Philadelphia	10 00	Macon	5 00
Bethel	5 00	New Bethel	2 00
Cedar Rock	5 00	John's Chapel	2 00
Corinth	5 00		
Enterprise	5 00	Total	$849 00

A cash collection was taken amounting to $31.15. Report adopted.

Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preachers for next year:

Report Louisburg the place. Time—Wednesday before second Sunday in October, 1892. To preach Introductery Sermon—Rev. J. F. Love; Alternate, L. M. Curtis. Denominational—R. VanDeventer; Alternate, T. J. Taylor. Missionary—A. D. Hunter; Alternate, W. B. Morton.

Adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Woodson.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9 O'clock.

Association convened and was led in prayer by Bro. Durham.

A motion was carried giving collection on Sunday to Bro. Huf ham's work in Tarboro.

Report on Education was further considered. Bro. Collins, of Sandy

Creek church had his claim presented, and the amount below in cash and pledges taken for his school expenses:

J. D. Huf ham (paid)	$1 00	B. Cade	$1 00
E. W. Timberlake (paid)	1 00	T. J. Taylor	1 00
H. W. Battle (paid)	1 00	N. L. Shaw	1 00
J. A. Pitchford	1 00	J. H. Mills (paid)	30
W. B. Daniel (paid)	50	J. A. Tunstall (paid)	1 00
W. H. Lewis (paid)	1 00	S. R. Boon (paid)	1 00
W. E. Bowers (paid)	1 00	B. F. Briggs (paid)	1 00
T. M. Duke (paid)	50	J. D. Huf ham (paid)	1 00
Dr. R. M. Johnson (paid)	50	Dr. Durham (paid)	1 00
E. C. Knight (paid)	50		

By a resolution passed, the money, $12.30 was turned over to Rev. G. M. Duke.

Report on Sunday-schools was read by Dr. R. M. Johnson, and ably discussed by Dr. Durham and Bro. Pace.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Whatever discouraging features may appear in this report, it is gratifying to your Committee, after a careful survey of the field, to greet you with the assurance that the Sunday-school cause in the bounds of the grand old Tar River Association is making progress; not, however, at the rapid rate that we desire, or that the importance of the cause demands, but progress, nevertheless, sure if slow.

A brief summary of statistics, covering a period of thirteen years of the most active work and rapid growth and development in the history of the churches composing this body, will give us some idea of the success of the Sunday-school cause in our bounds.

In 1877 the total white membership of the churches, as reported to this body, was 2,265; the total number engaged in the Sunday-school work was 1,260, showing the Sunday-school in ratio to the church 56 per cent.

In 1890 the total membership of our churches was 5,817, and the total number in the Sunday-schools was 3,542, showing the Sunday-school in ratio to the church 61 per cent., a net gain in 13 years of five per cent., or less than one-half of one per cent. each year. You say that is exceedingly slow progress. Will you stop for one moment to consider the fact that the growth of the churches during this period was tremendously great—more than 250 per cent., or at the rate of nearly 20 per cent. for each year, and the Sunday-schools more than kept pace with this marvelous increase.

Again, in 1877 we had reported 35 churches, with 16 Sunday-schools, showing 19 churches without any Sunday-school organization. In 1890, 63 churches with 50 Sunday-schools, showing only thirteen churches without a Sunday-school. At this rate it will be 28 years yet before we shall have a Sunday-school in every church. I do not believe it will be so long as that. I do not think it will take one-half that time to accomplish this grand result. The past, combining with the present, gives bright promise of rapid development and wonderful progress to be made by the Sunday-schools in the near future. I predict that in less time than ten years there will scarcely be a church within our bounds without a Sunday-school, even though the multiplication of churches and the increase in church membership should be greater in the future than in the past, wonderful as that has been. Now, as every effect is said to owe its existence to a cause lying back of it, it is evident that if this prediction is to be fulfilled, there must first be increased interest, earnestness, energy, zeal and sacrifice on the part of all the churches in the

Sunday-school work. Just how the spirit of enthusiastic earnestness that must lead us in the performance of this work may be best promoted, is, to my mind, one of the most important subjects that can claim the most serious consideration of this body at the present time. Do we need more machinery? Would State or Associational Sunday-school Conventions, if properly supported and largely attended, prove a powerful factor in the accomplishment of our purpose? or would the employment of a suitable man, who could do the work of an evangelist and a Sunday-school colporter, accomplish more rapidly the object? Could this work be as well and as rapidly done by simply giving the Sunday-school more importance in our Associational meetings, making it one of the standing subjects for discussion at every one of our Union Meetings, and our preachers keeping the Sunday-school constantly before the churches, and insisting persistently on every church they serve having its Sunday-school?

I have propounded these questions with the hope that they may elicit a full discussion of this vital subject, and believing that such a discussion will be worth more than a long written report, I content myself with writing thus briefly.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. JOHNSON, *Committee.*

In connection with the discussion of the report, colportage was also considered, and the pledges below taken for that object, the Executive Committee to employ Colporter:

Dr. R. D. Fleming	$ 25 00	Brown's	$ 5 00
A. D. Hunter	10 00	Scotland Neck	25 00
T. J. Taylor	12 00	Rocky Mount	5 00
Weldon S. S	7 50	Mildred S. S	2 00
Maple Springs S. S	5 00	Gardner's	5 00
Bear Swamp	5 00	Hickory S. S	1 00
Littleton S. S	5 00	John Allen	2 00
B. B. Collins	2 00	Jas. Pope (paid)	1 00
Fishing Creek	5 00	G. Ward (paid)	1 00
Macon S. S	5 00	Miss G. LaCoste	1 00
Mt. Zion S. S	5 00	Sandy Creek S. S	1 00
Philadelphia S. S	5 00	Miss Nannie Fleming	1 00
Tarboro S. S	12 00	Miss Jeffres	1 00
Warrenton S. S	12 00	J. W. Smithwick	1 00
Spring Hope	1 00	Cash	1 94
Warren Plains S. S	2 00	A. G. Willcox	1 03
Louisburg S. S	12 00	H. W. Battle	1 03
Henderson	12 00		
Conoconary	1 00	Total	$199 50

A motion was made by Bro. Cade, and adopted by the body, that one collection be taken by each church during the year for said object.

Report adopted.

Report on Home Missions was read by Bro. Cade, as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has for its work the evangelization of the destitution within the Southern States and in the Indian Territory, and the Island of Cuba. This Association needs no argument to prove to it that this work is immensely important, nor does it need any argument to convince it that the Board is using the means which the churches put into its hands with great wisdom and faithfulness in the prosecution of its work.

The work this Board is doing in the State of Texas alone is enough to entitle it to the sympathy, the prayers and the money of all our brethren and churches. The work of the Board amongst the Indians has already borne a most blessed

fruitage, and the promise of future growth and enlargement is most encouraging. The Board has also undertaken, and is prosecuting with most gratifying success, the work of evangelization and organization amongst the negroes. But the most remarkable work, in many respects, which has been done by any Missionary Board in modern times, has been done in the Island of Cuba. The time seems really to be not distant when the "Queen of the Antilles" will become as thoroughly Baptistic as is now the State of North Carolina.

Your Committee regrets that he is unable to give the Association facts and figures as to the several departments of this work, and he very reluctantly asks you to be satisfied with this very imperfect and general statement of the work this Board is doing in the fields that have been assigned to it.

BAYLUS CADE,
Committee.

Report on State Missions was called for, but no report. Bro. Battle was appointed to prepare same for the Minutes.

Rev. C. Durham discussed in a most forcible and able speech Home Missions. After which the report was adopted.

Treasurer of the Executive Committee offered his report; also Treasurer of the Association, which reports were referred to Bro. W. E. Daniel to audit, who afterwards reported, as follows:

"I have examined the reports of N. Biggs, Treasurer Executive Committee, and A. G. Willcox, Treasurer of the Association, and the vouchers of all payments, and find the same correct, with vouchers for all payments."

W. E. DANIEL,
Auditor.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

1891.			
Oct. 1.	To cash paid Elder J. O. Alderman, for services rendered in Beaufort County	$	63 50
	To cash paid Elder G. J. Dowell, services in Martin Co		150 00
	" " " " A. D. Hunter, services in Pitt Co		100 00
	" " " " J. W. Sledge, services in Warren Co		60 00
	" " " " L. M. Curtis, services in Halifax and Edgecombe Counties		200 00
	To cash paid Elder J. F. Love, services in Edgecombe and Nash Counties		50 00
	To cash paid Elder A. G. Willcox, services rendered		50 00
	" " " " J. F. Tuttle, services at Washington		125 00
	" " " " W. B. Morton, services around Weldon		100 00
	" " " " J. R. Pace, services in Pitt and Edgecombe Counties		166 66
	To cash paid Elder J. R. Mathews, services at Pantego		50 00
	" " " " Levi Parker, services at Enterprise		25 00
	" " " " J. E. Hudson, services in Martin County one month		50 00
			$1,190 16

1890		CR.		
Oct. 8.	By amount due this day	$	87 68	
	" " from Association this day		1,486 54	
	" " " Hamilton church		27 00	
	" " " Hickory church		5 75	
Feb. 1.	" " " Red Bud		10 00	
	" " " T. S. Collins		2 50	
1891				
Sept. 1.	" " " A. D. Hunter		5 00	
				$1,624 47
	By amount due Association this day			$ 434 31

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,

In account with A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

Oct. 9, 1890.

RECEIPTS.

To balance due Association at last session		$ 1 67
Received from Finance Committee—		
For State Missions		8 00
Foreign Missions		29 61
Home Missions		23 86
Education		61 75
Orphanage		43 10
Minute Fund		70 20
Hamilton church for Minutes		2 00
Memorial church, C. J. Hunter		5 00
Associational Missions, C. J. Hunter		5 00
Cash collection Saturday, Orphanage		10 51
J. W. Hundley, Associational Missions		25 00
Cash Sunday, Orphanage		49 34
Associational Missions, W. B. Harper		2 00
Memorial church, Sunday collection		28 73
Red Bud church, Associational Missions		10 00
T. S. Collins, Associational Missions		2 50
For Aged Ministers' fund		5 00
Red Bud church, for Minutes		1 05
" " " " Foreign Missions		1 00
" " " " Orphanage		2 45
" " " " Education		2 00
" " " " Home Missions		1 00
		$ 390 77

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid J. D. Boushall for State Missions	$ 8 00	
" " " Foreign Missions	29 61	
" " " Home Missions	23 86	
" " " Education	61 75	
" " " Orphanage	43 10	
" " " Orphanage (Sunday collection)	10 51	
" " " Orphanage (Sunday collection)	49 34	
" " " Foreign Missions, Red Bud church	1 00	
" " " Home Missions " " "	1 00	
" " " Education " " "	2 00	
" " " Aged Ministers' fund	5 00	
" " " Orphanage (Sunday collection)	2 45	
" N. Biggs, Memorial church (Sunday collection)	28 73	
" " " " C. J. Hunter	5 00	
" " Associational Missions, C. J. Hunter and W. B. Harper	7 00	
" " Associational Missions, J. W. Hundley	25 00	
" " " " Red Bud church	10 00	
" " " " T. S. Collins	2 50	
" Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes	50 00	
" Clerk's fee	25 00	
Stationery, mailing manuscript, &c	60	
Blank Church Letter and mailing same	82	
		$ 392 27
Balance due Treasurer	$1 50	

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX,
Treasurer.

Bro. Morton read a letter from Rev. C. E. Taylor, giving information in regard to painting building, &c., but owing to lateness of hour the matter was not pressed. A small cash collection was given Bro. Morton for this object, and a resolution was passed that each pastor take one collection at earliest date for this object.

The following brethren were appointed to write on stated subjects:

Sunday-schools—George Parker.
Aged Ministers' Fund—B. Cade.
Obituaries—G. M. Duke.
State Missions—N. L. Shaw.
Foreign Missions—R. VanDeventer.
Home Missions—H. W. Battle.
Associational Missions—C. M. Cooke.
Education—W. A. Montgomery.
Orphanage—W. E. Daniel.
Periodicals—G. W. Blount.

Report of Finance Committee was read and adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report that we have received

For Associational Missions from churches	$1,077 48
" " " " individuals	159 50
" State Missions from churches	20 50
" Home " " "	28 39
" " " " individuals	1 00
" Foreign Missions from individuals	1 00
" " " " churches	75 17
" Orphanage from churches	69 19
" " " individuals	2 00
" Education from churches	17 74
" Colportage " "	1 00
" Sunday-schools from churches	2 00
" Minutes from churches	70 50
Grand total	$1,525 47

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. Y. PARKER,
HOWARD ALLEN.

Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of Minutes, and allowed usual compensation.

A cash collection was taken, amounting to $4.22, to settle with Clerk and to buy a Record book for the Association, and a motion was carried for the Clerk to draw on Treasurer of Executive Committee to pay deficiency.

Resolution of thanks by Bro. Battle, passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Association be hereby cordially tendered to the citizens of Warrenton, for their abounding hospitality, and also to the railroads for courtesies extended.

The following delegates were appointed to the Baptist State Convention: H. W. Battle, B. Cade, L. M. Curtis, Geo. Coppey, G. M. Duke, George W. Dowell, J. D. Hufham, J. F. Love, W. B. Morton, T. J. Taylor, A. G. Willcox, W. E. Bowers, W. E. Daniel, N. Biggs, L. W. Bagley, C. M. Cooke, N. Chichester, J. H. Johnson, John A. Coppedge, L. S. Alsop, N. B. Cobb, E. W. Timberlake, Geo. Blount, George Parker, R. M. Johnson, R. D. Fleming, N. L. Shaw.

In absence of report on Obituaries, Bro. Hufham was requested to prepare notice of death of Bro. O. C. Farrar for Minutes.

After a pleasant and profitable session, the Association adjourned to meet with the church in Louisburg on Wednesday before the second Sunday in October, 1892.

W. E. BOWERS,
Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk.*

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4 The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in nowise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8. The moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

12. An order of business, assigning a definite time to each topic to be brought before the Association, shall be made at the beginning of each session, and this order shall not be departed from in any case without unanimous consent.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, and died since the last Association.

3. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11. The Association shall have power to inquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in counsel.

14. The Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

17. The business of this Association shall be conducted according to Mills' Parliamentary Practice.

CONTRIBUTED BY INDIVIDUALS FOR MISSIONS.

W. M. Boone	$ 2 50
G. M. Duke	20 00
Rev. L. C. Perkinson	3 00
R. D. Harper	1 00
Rev. A. G. Willcox	10 00
Miss Ada Pitt	5 00
W. E. Bowers	35 00
H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
Mrs. Susan Pitt	5 00
Dr. Chas. E. Taylor	25 00
Rev. J. W. Sledge	5 00
M. S. Griffin	3 00
R. A. P. Cooley	10 00
Rev. H. W. Battle	$ 10 00
W. D. Carter	2 50
W. H. Lewis	2 50
J. W. Powell	10 00
E. H. Crocker	5 00
Associational	$159 50
Home, Foreign, Orphanage, — Contributed by R. D. Harper,	1 00 / 1 00 / 2 00
Grand total	$163 50

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch											
Bethel	J. W. Thomas, Bethel	1			1			11	14		62
Brown's	Howard Allen, Warrenton	6			11	2	2	47	60		25
Battleboro	W. C. Wells, Battleboro	8	4		5	1	2	23	36		107
Bear Swamp	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville		4		2	5		63	82	7	59
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	11	1		5	2	2	65	78		152
Cypress Chapel	W. B Stallings, Spring Hope	2			5	2	1	19	43	3	143
Corinth	Albert Dement, Louisburg	13	1	2	11			38	63		65
Conoconary	P. V. Tillery, Tillery				3		4	58	86		101
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville							6	6		144
Dawson's	J. T. Lawrence, Dawson's Cross Roads	3						40	57		12
Elm Grove	A. S. Bains, Nashville	4			4		4	26	77		97
Enterprise	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton							19	40		103
Elm City	W. D. Carter, Elm City	19	1		7	1	1				59
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	4	3			1	2	26	46		53
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield				3	2		12	18		72
Free Chapel	T. A. Bone, Nashville						2	12	17		30
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood	3	2		1	4		31	40		29
Greenville	L. W. Lawrence, Greenville	12	13		8	2	2	33	67		71
Gardner's	Jas. W. Shearin, Churchill	9			1			52	86		100
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck		20					8	12		138
Hamilton	T. H. Robertson, Hamilton	8			5		1	24	44		20
Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock				3	4		23	42		68
Harris' Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola					2	1	31	41		65
John's Chapel	J. R. Underwood, Eatman	5	3		2	4	1	19	40		72
Louisburg	E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg	21	18	1	3		2	62	83		59
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	6		1	3		1	35	51		145
Mt. Hebron	S. T. Gupton, Centerville			1	7			26	63		86
Mt. Zion	C. M. Bartholomey, Mapleville	3	2		4		2	45	87		89
											132

Mildred	W. A. Thigpen, Conetoe	2				1		15	21		36
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	17		3	4		1	38	64		102
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg				2			16	23		39
Macon											11
New Bethel	J. W. Stokes, Epsom	5	7		3	3	2	60	108		168
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	2	3				2	13	*24		37
New Hope	J. T. Derr, Wilson	3			2	3	1	30	40		70
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	14	2	1	3	4	1	91	171		262
Peach Tree	J. I. H. Edwards, Hunt's	15	4		7	1		61	110		171
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus	1	1			4	1	17	26		43
Pine Forest	D. L. Beach, Everett's	5	4	2		2		18	35		53
Pleasant Grove	V. B. Matthews, Nashville		3	2			1	39	75	5	119
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Duke's	34	2	6	3	2					188
Quankie	J. J. Cullow, Weldon	13				3		43	71		114
Rocky Mount	W. B. Spiers, Rocky Mount	3	20		7	4	1	37	62		99
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg					3	1	37	71		108
Rehoboth	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount	11	3		1	2	1	33	58		91
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek	6		1	2	1		77	123		200
Red Bud	Sam. Harper, Castalia	7	1			4		84	124		208
Samaria	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope	33	2	4	2	2	1	60	156		216
Sulphur Springs	J. L. Rogers, Brodie	3	8					21	31		52
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Wise	11	1	3	1	4		39	80		119
Social Plains	J. S. Hagwood, Union Hope	1			2	5	1	12	33		45
Spring Hope	S. M. Wheless, Spring Hope		4				1	8	13		21
Sandy Creek	N. Davis, Cedar Rock	8	2	2			2	64	130		194
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	7	2		23	2		98	130		228
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg										13
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro						1	7	20		27
Turkey Branch	W. J. Mohorn, Brinkleyville	2	2		1	1	1	16	38		54
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	11	4	2	2		1	46	71		117
Wilson	J. J. Atkinson, Wilson	6	7	2	3	3	5	67	99		166
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains		5		5	2	1	54	72		126
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	7	1	1	4		1	31	41		72
Washington	W. W. Thomas, Washington		3	1	1	3		5	21		26
Williamston	Speight Dowell, Williamston	5	2		4			9	33		42
		370	165	35	176	91	57	2100	3653	15	5984

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars.	No. Volumes in Library.	No. Quarterlies and papers taken.	School Expense.	Orphanage.	For all Objects.	No Months kept open.
Bethel	J. H. Johnston, Bethel	3	60	------	66	$ 7 80	$ 1 60	----------	----
Brown's	J. A. Tunstall, Brookston	7	38	------	------	----------	----------	----------	----
Branch School No. 1	----------	7	60	------	------	----------	----------	----------	----
Battleboro	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	7	36	90	54	10 00	----------	----------	----
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	14	80	100	50	20 00	----------	----------	----
Corinth	L. E. Lancaster, Moulton	9	74	75	------	----------	----------	7 00	3
Conoconary	J. C. Williford, Crowell's	9	26	------	------	5 00	----------	----------	---
Dawson's	J. T. Lawrence, Dawson's Cross Roads	8	41	------	------	3 95	----------	----------	----
Elm Grove	J. B. Joyner, Nashville	5	55	------	------	----------	----------	----------	----
Branch School	E. H. Weaver, Nashville	4	32	------	------	----------	----------	----------	----
Enterprise	Henry Bobbitt, Littleton	7	52	56	59	7 00	----------	----------	----
Elm City	W. D. Carter, Elm City	7	40	------	100	25 00	----------	----------	----
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	3	21	50	24	15 00	----------	----------	----
Free Chapel	W. D. Gardner, Nashville	7	40	------	------	----------	----------	----------	----
Fishing Creek	J. C. Marks, Ringwood	6	44	------	44	----------	----------	2 00	----
Greenville	D. L. James, Greenville	14	100	556	150	95 44	2 95	----------	----
Gardner's	John M. Colman, Churchill	8	77	------	60	10 50	----------	2 10	----
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	5	25	------	30	----------	----------	----------	----
Hamilton	T. B. Hasket, Hamilton	10	51	75	60	20 00	2 00	----------	1
Hickory	----------	5	36	------	------	----------	----------	----------	----
John's Chapel	J. W. B. Finch, Eatmon	6	82	76	31	13 50	----------	----------	----
Louisburg	G. C. Thompson, Louisburg	5	75	-----	75	75 00	----------	----------	----
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	10	55	195	80	28 00	13 88	----------	----
Mt. Hebron	G. T. Shearin, Ransom's Bridge	10	80	------	------	----------	----------	----------	----

Mt. Zion	W. T. Cooper, Laurel	8	69		70	10 75			
Mildred	E. C. Knight, Mildred	5	52		200	10 00			
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	12	100	200	120	51 91			
Middleburg	John A. Fleming, Middleburg	5	27		30	1 10			
New Bethel	W. B. Daniel, Epsom	8	60		81	7 89			
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	6	30		45	5 00			
Poplar Springs	John Griffin, Sutton	16	200		100	12 00			
Peach Tree	S. C. Edwards, Hunt's	3	35						
Pactolus	G. R. Satterthwaite, Pactolus	6	40	52	36	13 00			
Pine Forest	J. A. Whitley, Everett's	4	40	8	36	2 00			
Pleasant Grove	W. G. Stone, Oakland	7	80		18				
Philad lphia	Roger Critcher, Duke's	9	72		60	9 25			
Quankie	Thad Butts, Weldon	5	40		30	3 00			
Branch No. 1	J. F. Loyton, Weldon	3	24						
Rocky Mount	W. B. Spiers, Rocky Mount	8	89	267	137	59 30			
Rock Springs	C. H. Wheless, Louisburg	7	70						
Reedy Creek	W. T. Hardy, Mountain View	12	109			5 50			
Sulphur Springs	J. T. Rogers, Brodie	8	45		102	2 91			
Sharon	C. W. Perkinson, Wise	5	40		36	5 00		5 00	
Spring Hope	H. G. Harper, Spring Hope	10	50		75	15 00		7 50	
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Laurel	8	77	108	55	5 00			
Scotland Neck	A. McDowell, Scotland Neck	22	250	600	575	200 00		150 00	
Four Branch Schools			150						
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	6	35		50				
Turkey Branch	George Saunders, Ringwood	6	64			5 00			
Warrenton	J. W. Williams, Warrenton	14	87	236	74	65 00			
Wilson	A. N. Daniel, Wilson	14	100	200		30 00			
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	13	84	200	137	27 10		7 61	
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	7	59		134	48 80	10 08	12 04	
Washington	W. W. Thomas, Washington	6	52		60	24 50			
Williamston	Dennis Simmons, Williamston	8	82	50		34 32		16 37	1
		427	3592	3194	3168	$ 979 52	$ 31 51	$ 61 12	

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minutes.	Repairs.	Associational Missions	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Sunday Schools.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Aged Ministers.	Total.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Antioch				40		5 00	1 15		1 82				1 52			66 44
Bethel	50 00	6 55		1 50		50 00	7 67	5 67	5 68	15 00			24 67	30 40		304 06
Brown's	150 00		13 00	1 50	140 00	15 00			2 75				7 00			314 17
Battleboro	100 00	27 92	20 00	1 15	100 00	50 00		5 08	6 08	100 00			25 32			317 79
Bear Swamp			12 00	1 50		20 00										146 50
Cedar Rock	125 45			1 00		5 00		4 08	2 74							57 82
Cypress Chapel	45 00			1 50		5 00			5 00	5 00			5 00	10 00		115 50
Corinth	100 00	84 00		1 00		15 25										16 25
Conoconary				50									1 40			1 90
Crocker's Chapel				65		11 00										21 65
Dawson's		10 00		1 00												1 00
Elm Grove				50	75 00	5 00										155 50
Enterprise	75 00			1 00		10 00								10 00		196 00
Elm City	150 00	25 00		1 50		10 00		1 00					3 15			90 65
Ephesus	75 00			50		3 50							1 00			5 00
Enfield				50		3 00										28 50
Free Chapel	25 00			1 25	1 00	10 00		2 00	2 00	2 25			6 00			146 75
Fishing Creek	100 00	12 00		2 00		50 00		20 12	35 04	10 00			47 50	100 00	5 32	1,661 16
*Greenville	450 00	175 00	15 87	2 00	51 08	20 00	4 25	5 60	4 55				13 05	88 54		390 39
Gardner's	200 00		1 42	50												25 50
Hobgood	25 00			1 50		25 00	2 92							87 50		393 06
Hamilton	250 00	26 14		1 00		10 75										86 75
Hickory	75 00			1 00		15 00	3 00	2 78	2 00	1 00			2 22	17 77		144 77
Harris' Chapel	100 00			75	5 00	5 00								1 00		66 75
John's Chapel	55 00			2 00	12 00	75 00	2 50	2 50	5 00	29 33		75 00	35 00	300 00		2,676 23
Louisburg	800 00	125 00	25 00	1 50		15 00							6 65	116 00		164 30
Littleton		25 15														
Mt. Hebron				1 50			1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		1 00	3 75	25 00		185 25
Mt. Zion	150 00															

Mildred	100 00	5 00			75	1 00			3 52			1 10				1 75					112 37
Maple Springs	150 00				2 00			25 00			4 00	4 20				5 00		3 05			193 25
Macon																					
Middleburg	135 00	11 79			50			10 00		4 53		87	7 26		1 61			1 50		31 00			204 06
New Bethel	100 00	15 00			1 50			11 00		1 00		27 00			1 00			5 00					161 50
Nashville	75 00	20 00			1 00		2 50			1 00		2 00	1 00		1 00		1 00	2 00					107 50
New Hope	50 00				55					1 05		44	55		71								53 30
Poplar Springs	150 00	12 80			2 00			6 15				9 39	9 46					46 50		7 62			235 53
Peach Tree	100 00				2 00			10 00															112 00
Pactolus	100 00	85 00			1 00			10 00					4 00					2 75					202 75
Pine Forest	10 00	4 60					408 53	10 00															433 13
Pleasant Grove					1 50			5 00															6 50
Philadelphia	100 00		15 00		2 30			20 00															137 30
Quankie	100 00				1 10		1 00	10 00		2 75		2 25	2 20		5 00			3 20		5 00			132 39
Rocky Mount	325 00	50 15	27 35		1 00		141 09	25 00				5 00	5 00		5 00			25 53		107 41			777 53
Rock Spring					1 50			15 00															16 50
Rehoboth	100 00				1 50			17 75					1 00										120 25
Reedy Creek	100 00				1 35			10 00							10 00					6 00			127 35
Red Bud			4 00		1 55			6 58					2 37		3 40			3 18					21 08
Samaria	75 00	4 25			2 00			10 00				1 00	2 76		1 48			2 96					99 45
Sulphur Springs	70 00					80	30 80	5 00															107 10
Sharpsburg																							
Sharon	150 00		6 13		1 50	25 50		28 00		8 20		8 70	10 92		1 50			16 65		35 00			292 10
Social Plains	25 00				50					36		42	37		35								27 50
Spring Hope		85 00	10 00		50			12 50					1 09					5 90					254 99
Sandy Creek					1 55			5 00															6 55
Scotland Neck	1,000 00	100 00	25 00		2 00			200 00		10 00		5 00	6 00		5 00			13 00		750 00			3,293 00
Tarboro	500 00				1 25			25 00															526 25
Turkey Branch	25 00				70			5 00				50	1 00					1 00					33 20
Warrenton	550 00	400 00	100 07		1 50	50 00		75 00		34 83		36 25	40 51				94 18	231 84		48 25			1,710 93
*Wilson	1,000 00	38 00	15 98		2 50			15 00				5 00	5 00				52 00	17 15					2,034 07
Warren Plains	100 00	12 57	10 56		1 00	15 00		10 00		10 28		3 28	13 15		5 25			3 12					180 21
Weldon	400 00	104 18	54 00		1 00			40 00		15 00		10 50	15 60		35 00			14 90		299 55			987 73
Washington	101 80	16 00			50															7 00			124 30
Williamston	300 00	52 00	5 00		1 50	11 50		25 00		5 00		2 00	5 00					1,040 20		110 00			1,665 20
	8,916 80	1,523 10	$366 38		$71 60	$871 00		1,057 48		$100 18		$172 01	$208 98		$185 39		$223 10	2,907 40		2,254 00		$5 32	$21,674 48

*$150 for Parsonage.

FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Sunday-school.	Minutes.	Orphanage.	Total.
Antioch	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 50	$	$ 50
Bear Swamp			1 00	50 00				1 15	6 28	58 43
Bethel				5 00				40		5 40
Brown's				50 00				1 50		51 50
Cedar Rock				20 00				1 50		21 50
Crocker's Chapel								50	1 40	1 90
Corinth				20 00				1 50		21 50
Conoconary				15 25				1 00		15 25
Cypress Chapel				5 00				1 00		6 00
Dawson's				11 00				65		11 65
Ephesus				10 00				1 50		11 50
Elm Grove								1 00		1 00
Enterprise				5 00				50		5 50
Enfield				3 50				50	1 00	5 00
Free Chapel				3 00				50		3 50
Fishing Creek		2 00	2 00	10 00	2 25			1 25	6 00	23 50
Gardner's				20 00						20 00
Greenville				50 00				2 00		52 00
Hamilton				25 00				1 50		26 50
Harris' Chapel				15 00	1 00			1 00	2 22	19 22
Hickory				10 75				1 00		11 75
Hobgood's								50		50
John's Chapel				5 00				75		5 75
Littleton				15 00				1 50	3 00	19 50
Louisburg	2 50	2 50	5 00	75 00				2 00	8 11	95 11
Macon								50		50
Mt. Vernon			2 75	15 00				1 50	7 00	26 25
Mildred								75		75
Middleburg			5 00	10 00	1 61			50	1 50	18 61
Maple Springs				25 00				2 00	5 00	32 00
Mt. Zion	1 00	1 00	1 00	25 00	1 00		1 00	1 50	3 75	35 25
Mt. Hebron										
Nashville	1 00	2 00	1 00		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	10 00
New Hope								55		55
New Bethel	1 00	1 00	27 00	11 00	1 00			1 50	5 00	47 50
Pleasant Grove				5 00				1 50		6 50
Poplar Springs		9 39	9 46	6 15				2 00		27 00
Peach Tree				10 00				2 00		12 00
Philadelphia				20 00				2 30		22 30
Pactolus			4 00	10 00				1 00	2 75	17 75
Pine Forest				10 00						10 00
Quankie										
Rock Spring				15 00				1 50		16 50
Rehoboth			1 00	17 75				1 50		20 25
Reedy Creek				10 00				1 35		11 35
Rocky Mount		5 00	5 00	25 00	5 00			1 00	10 00	51 00
Rocky Mount S. S				5 00						5 00
Red Bud			2 37	6 58	3 40			1 55	3 18	17 08
Samaria			1 00	10 00	1 48			2 00		14 48
Social Plains								50		50
Spring Hope			1 09	2 50				50		4 09
Scotland Neck				200 00				2 00		202 00
Sharpsburg										
Sharon				25 00				1 50		26 50
Sulphur Springs				5 00				80		5 80
Sandy Creek				5 00				1 55		6 55
Tarboro				25 00				1 25		26 25
Turkey Branch		50	1 50	5 00				70	1 00	8 70
Toisnot				10 00				1 00		11 00
Wilson		5 00	5 00	15 00				2 50		27 50
Warren Plains				10 00				1 00		11 00
Weldon	15 00			40 00				1 00		56 00
Williamston				25 00				1 50		26 50
Washington								50		50
Warrenton				50 00				1 50		51 50
	$20 50	$28 39	$75 17	$1,077 48	$17 74	$1 00	$2 00	$70 50	$69 19	$1,361 97

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To Preach Introductory Sermon ..... J. E. White.
Alternate ..... Q. C. Davis.
To Preach Denominational Sermon ..... T. J. Taylor.
Alternate ..... G. M. Duke.
To Preach Missionary Sermon ..... R. T. Vann.
Alternate ..... W. B. Morton.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

To Write on Sunday-schools ..... R. M. Johnson.
To Write on Aged Ministers ..... J. S. Barrow.
To Write Obituaries ..... G. M. Duke.
To Write on State Missions ..... E. W. Timberlake.
To Write on Foreign Missions ..... R. VanDeventer.
To Write on Home Missions ..... J. E. White.
To Write on Associational Missions ..... J. D. Hufham.
To Write on Education ..... A. A. Pippin.
To Write on Orphanage ..... L. M. Conyers.
To Write on Periodicals ..... E. E. Hilliard.

OFFICERS.

W. E. BOWERS, MODERATOR.....Brinkleyville.
A. G. WILLCOX, CLERK AND TREASURER.....Brinkleyville.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

N. BIGGS, Treasurer;	W. E. DANIEL,	L. W. BAGLEY,
W. E. BOWERS,	E. W. TIMBERLAKE,	C. M. COOKE.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

BARKLEY, J. G.....Rocky Mount.
BATTLE, H. W.....Wilson.
BRIDGES, J. A.....Spring Hope.
BALLARD, W. S.....Scotland Neck.
COPPEDGE, G.....Moore's Mills.
DRIVER, R.....Mapleville.
DUKE, G. M.....Duke's.
DAVIS, Q. C.....Elm City.
DOWELL, G. J.....Williamston.
HUFHAM, J. D.....Tarboro.
HARPER, R. D.....Duke's.
MORTON, N. B.....Weldon.
NOBLE J. W.....Greenville.
NEWELL, G. W.....Mapleville.
PACE, J. R.....Bethel.
PERNELL, M. R.....Louisburg.
PIPPIN, A. A.....Spring Hope.
PITCHFORD, J. A.....Littleton.
PERKINSON, LEVI.....Warren Plains.
SLEDGE, J. W.....Cedar Rock.
TAYLOR, T. J.....Warrenton.
WILLCOX, A. G.....Brinkleyville.
WHITE, J. E.....Wilson.

LICENTIATES.

PARKER, W. Y. C.....Warrenton.
COLLINS, B. B.....Laurel.
HOCUTT, I. E.....Stanhope.
VANN, R. T.....Scotland Neck.
VANDEVENTER, R.....Henderson.

PROCEEDINGS.

LOUISBURG, N. C., October 5, 1892.

The Sixty-second Annual Session of the Tar River Association met with the church here to-day. In absence of Brethren Love and Curtis, Elder George J. Dowell preached the Introductory Sermon. Text, Matt. 24th chapter, 44th verse.

After an intermission, the Association assembled and was led in prayer by J. W. Powell.

Brethren T. J. Mitchell and W. S. Ballard were appointed Reading Clerks, and B. F. Tillery, J. P. Timberlake and O. W. Jackson Finance Committee.

Roll-call showed the following representation:

Antioch—R. R. Taylor.
Bethel—J. R. Pace.
Brown's—J. H. Burroughs, J. W. Smithwick, Mr. Allen.
Battleboro—J. D. Neal, T. D. Wright.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers.
Cedar Rock—W. M. Boon, M. Batchelor.
Cypress Chapel—W. B. Stallings, W. J. Wilder.
Corinth—L. E. Lancaster, D. T. Fuller, J. J. Watkins.
Conoconary—P. V. Tillery.
Crocker's Chapel—E. S. Crocker, S. P. Whitfield.
Dawson's—B. F. Tillery, G. L. Branch.
Elm Grove—E. H. Weaver, A. S. Bain, B. W. Bachelor.
Enterprise—
Elm City—S. J. Carter, J. H. Barkley.
Ephesus—H. M. Warren, L. C. Lamm, S. S. Hendricks.
Enfield—Letter.
Free Chapel—W. R. Bone, T. A. Bone.
Fishing Creek—Jake Alford, W. W. Rosser.
Greenville—Letter.
Gardner's—J. M. Colman, W. A. Shaw, H. A. Nicholson.
Hobgood—W. S. Ballard.
Hamilton—G. J. Dowell.
Henderson—T. J. Mitchell, T. P. Stewart, S. J. Parham.
Hickory—H. B. S. Pitt, W. S. Dozier.
Harriss' Chapel—Sam. Hamlet, A. G. Willcox.
John's Chapel—J. W. B. Finch.
Louisburg—J. H. Upperman, T. B. Wilder, J. P. Timberlake.
Littleton—Ivy Allen, J. A. Carter, L. W. Bagley.
Mount Hebron—E. C. Denton, L. T. Denton, S. T. Gupton.
Mount Zion—William Cooper, Charles Bartholomew, I. Portress.
Mildred—J. W. Powell, W. A. Thigpen.
Maple Springs—A. W. Jackson, S. M. Boon, D. C. Tharington.
Middleburg—By letter.
Macon—
New Bethel—J. W. Stokes, S. M. Hicks, R. B. Beasley.
Nashville—L. M. Conyers, S. G. Griffin, R. A. P. Cooley.
New Hope—W. H. White.
Poplar Springs—A. I. White, J. H. Cheavis, John Griffin.
Peach Tree—G. Rice.
Pactolas—Letter.
Pine Forest—G. J. Dowell.

Pleasant Grove—I. R. Coygin, L. Hunter, John Hollingsworth.
Philadelphia—Letter.
Quankie—Letter.
Rocky Mount—Letter.
Rock Spring—J. H. Odum.
Rehoboth—Letter.
Ree ly Creek—T. M. Allen, Charles Neal, B. Harriss.
Red Bud—Sam. Harper, Joseph Wood.
Samaria—W. C. Nowell, J. D. Strickland.
Sulphur Springs—Joseph T. Rogers, W. G. Wilson, Thomas Bowen.
Sharon—I. H. Hicks, Rev. L. C. Perkinson.
Social Plains—H. C. Hagwood.
Spring Hope—S. M. Wheeless, J. A. Bridges.
Sandy Creek—J. D. Ricks, James Brewer.
Scotland Neck—N. Biggs, Walter Gray, R. T. Vann.
Sharpsburg—
Tarboro—J. D. Hufham.
Turkey Branch—Sam. Taylor.
Warrenton—N. L. Shaw, W. A. Montgomery, J. W. Williams.
Wilson—J. E. White.
Warren Plains—W. E. Bugg, Harry Daniel, L. W. Overby.
Weldon—W. E. Daniel.
Washington—J. J. Moody, Wm. Bailey.
Williamston—G. J. Dowell, Dennis Simmons.

Letters being read, the Association was permanetly organized by selecting the former officers—W. E. Bowers Moderator, and A. G. Willcox Clerk and Treasurer.

New churches making application for membership into our body: Gethsemane, Stanhope and Eagle's, Pantego ahd Tar River Springs. Covenant and Articles of Faith referred to a committee consisting of G. M. Duke, J. W. Sledge and R. VanDeventer to examine same.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, and the invitation was accepted by Bro. Cade and Bro. Ryland, of Richmond; Bro. J. C. Caddell, of the *Recorder;* W. R. Gwaltney, of the Board of Education; C. A. Woodson, Corresponding Secretary of the Aged Ministers Board; C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention; J. B. Boone, representing the Baptist Female Seminary, and W. C. Nowell, of the Raleigh Baptist Association.

Bro. C. M. Cooke extended a cordial welcome to delegates and visitors, and Bro. VanDeventer replied.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Davis.

NIGHT SERVICES.

Bro. Gwaltney, Agent for the Board of Education, made a statement in regard to the needs of our young men at college, and a collection was taken up, as follows: C. M. Cooke, paid, $5; W. L. Shaw, $5; Dennis Simmons, paid, $5; T. J. Mitchell, paid, $1; W. P. Webb, paid, $1; hat, $16.98.

Sermon by R. T. Vann. Text, Rom. x: 4.

THURSDAY MORNING, October 6.

The Association assembled, and, after praise service, proceeded to the work before them.

A motion prevailed to suspend the regular order of business, and the report on Orphanage was called for; no report. Bro. J. H. Mills gave a detailed account of the lands, crops, houses, number of children, the

needs of same, etc., and after a short account of the Institution by Bro. Hufham, the following amounts were pledged, to be paid by Jan. 1, 1893:

Scotland Neck	$100 00
Louisburg	50 00
Williamston	50 00
Warrenton	25 00
Weldon	25 00
Bear Swamp	25 00
Brown's	20 00
Littleton S. S	10 00
Sharon	10 00
J. H. Lassiter	10 00
W. A. Montgomery	10 00
Tarboro	10 00
Wilson	10 00
T. J. Mitchell	10 00
Harriss' Chapel	10 00
New Hope	5 00
Spring Hope	5 00
Cedar Rock	5 00
Cedar Rock S. S	5 00
Peach Tree	5 00
Corinth	5 00
Red Bud	5 00
Maple Springs	5 00
Rock Springs	5 00
Nashville	5 00
Mildred	5 00
Conoconary	5 00
Dawson's	5 00
Elm Grove	5 00
Elm City	5 00
Enfield	5 00
Fishing Creek	5 00
Hamilton	$ 5 00
Hickory	5 00
Mt. Zion	5 00
Maple Spring S. S	5 00
New Bethel	5 00
Poplar Spring	5 00
Pleasant Grove	5 00
Philadelphia	5 00
Reedy Creek	5 00
Samaria	5 00
Sandy Creek	5 00
Warren Plains	5 00
G. M. Duke	5 00
A. W. Jackson	5 00
B. F Tillery	5 00
Social Plains	3 00
Johns' Chapel	2 50
Sulphur Springs S. S	2 50
Mrs. Burrows Allen	2 00
Antioch	2 00
Turkey Branch	2 00
Pine Forest	1 50
B. C. Collins, paid	1 00
Cypress Chapel	1 00
Free Chapel	1 00
Crocker's Chapel	1 00
A. D. Ellis, paid	1 00
J. D. Neal, paid	1 00
Mrs. Fannie Dowtin, paid	1 00
L. H. Jones, paid	1 00
Total	$538 50

A small cash collection, amounting to $7.54, was taken for said object.

Committee on New Churches made the following report:

Your Committee to examine the delegates sent up by those churches wishing to be admitted into this Association, beg leave to say that we have examined the Articles of Faith, manner of organization, etc., and recommend that the following churches be received into this Association, to-wit: Gethsemane, Castalia, Tar River Springs, Stanhope and Eagle's. As to Pantego, there being no delegate, according to our constitution we cannot receive it without a departure from our rules.

Respectfully submitted,

R. VANDEVENTER,
G. M. DUKE,
G. J. DOWELL.

Report received, and Moderator gave hand of fellowship to delegates. Adjourned by prayer. Brother Boon leading.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

Brother Hufham led the Association in prayer.

Bro. Thompson of M. E. Church invited to a seat among us. Bro. W. E. Timberlake appointed to prepare a church letter for the churches of the Association.

Committee on Time and Place and Preacher: W. A. Montgomery, John Cheavis, B. F. Tillery.

Committee on naming delegates to Southern Baptist and Baptist State Conventions: J. D. Hufham, N. L. Shaw and A. W. Perry.

Regular order was taken up, and "The part of Baptists in the progress of Missions in this Century" was discussed in a most able manner by Bro. VanDeventer.

"The School as an Adjunct of Mission Work," by Bro. Montgomery. By an unanimous vote the address to be published in the *Recorder*.

After usual announcements, Association adjourned until 8 o'clock.

Benediction by Bro. Cade.

THURSDAY NIGHT.

After the usual praise service, Bro. N. B. Cobb, in a most able and scriptural way, told of Woman's Work in Missions. He was followed in short talks by Brethren Cade, Woodson, VanDeventer and Hufham.

FRIDAY MORNING, October 7, 9:30 O'clock.

Association convened, and after the usual devotional services proceeded to business.

On motion, agreed that Bro. Woodson present the claims of the Ministers' Relief Fund, and the report be offered later. After his address a collection amounting to $21.76 and $10 by Bro. W. A. Montgomery. Moved by Bro. Cade that collection on Sunday be given to this object.

STATE MISSIONS.

The most convincing evidence of good citizenship is love and loyalty to the State of one's birth or adoption; the proof of which is shown in what is done to improve the condition, to enlarge the usefulness of the masses in morals, education, finances, and last, yet far the greatest, as well as the most important, in religious attainments.

North Carolina is a great State, and for the past two decades her growth and development along all the lines of improvement have been of such a character as to excite the pride of her own people, and to call forth the admiration of her sister States, both North and South.

It is right and commendable that we should be proud of our growth and development in material matters, and to glory in our record, yet it is worth our while to be admonished that our past and even present record will not avail, for it is apparent that our future depends on the religious training and culture of the people, as the bed-rock of State and National prosperity is the dissemination of the pure, plain and simple gospel as Christ taught it in His life and revealed it in His inspired Word.

The record of the Baptists as citizens, both in peace and in war, in properity and adversity, has shown both loyalty and devotion, but it now devolves upon us as a denomination, individually and collectively, to prove our loyalty in a higher and nobler sense as citizens of Christ's kingdom by giving the people of our State the pure, simple and unadulterated gospel as revealed in the Bible and held by us. Failing to do this, we are disloyal to Christ and unworthy to claim His approval and blessings on our labors.

For more than one hundred years the Baptists have been engaged in State Missions. In this work our fathers laid the foundation for our present large membership and prosperous churches and institutions. It has through these years been enlarged to the present time, and this year we have one hundred brethren preaching the gospel to weak mission churches, and destitute neighborhoods and sections in this State. We recommend—

1. That the pastors of this Association be requested to give their congregations at least once a year something of the history, prospects and needs of State Missions.

2. Each church and every member of each church be urged to aid this work by their prayers and contributions.

3. That this work be wisely enlarged and pressed until a Baptist Church shall be established in easy reach of every person living in our State.

4. That more attention be given to all that section of our State east of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad and south of Roanoke river, as it is believed that the withdrawal of help from the missionaries in that section by the State Board has crippled the cause. It is a very important field and should be faithfully and well cultivated.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. L. SHAW, *Committee.*

Report on State Missions read by Bro. N. L. Shaw. Bro. C. Durham followed in an admirable address. Report adopted.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

George J. Dowell has been serving the churches at Williamston, Hamilton and Everett's. He has preached 166 sermons, held 35 prayer-meetings, baptized 8 persons, dedicated 1 new church, collected for missions $35.75 The appropriation for this field is $150. Besides regular preaching at the points named above, Bro. Dowell has labored efficiently at other places in the wide field of destitution around him.

Elder J. R. Pace has been preaching regularly at Bethel, Lane's school-house, Cherry's Cross-roads, Lawrence's School-house, and two other places. He has preached 115 sermons, baptized 27 persons, and organized two churches. He has been laboring in a field almost wholly destitute of Baptist preaching hitherto, and he has had to rely mainly on the appropriation made by your committee for his support. The amount is $250.

Elder J. W. Powell has been preaching regularly at Mildred, Eagle's and Penny Hill, all in Edgecombe County, preaching twice a month at each place. He has baptized 13 persons on his field. Appropriation, $300.

R. D. Harper has been preaching once a month at Pender's School-house. He advises that the appropriation for this place be discontinued. Amount of appropriation this year, $25.

J. F. Love preached regularly once a month at Powell's School-house, and frequently at other places, up to the time of his removal to Baltimore last spring. Appropriation, $25.

J. R. Matthews has preached regularly at Pantego, at a school-house within reach of the place, and at Belle Haven, a new town at the terminus of the railroad from Roper. He has baptized 4 persons on this field. Appropriation, $75.

W. C. Nowell has been preaching at Spring Hope and Stanhope. Sermons, 34. Members added to these churches. 17. Appropriation, $41.66.

Q. C. Davis has been preaching once a month at Elm City, Battleboro, Hickory and Enfield. On this field 21 persons have been baptized. Appropriation, $37.50.

J. F. Tuttle has been laboring for the little flock in Washington. Sermons, 56; public addresses, 4; additions to the church, 3. Appropriation, $125.

W. S. Ballard has preached regularly at Hobgood, Mullins', Spring Hill, Tillery, Dawson's and Crowell's. On this field 36 have been baptized. Appropriation, $150.

A. D. Hunter has preached at Forbes' School-house, Pitt County, and other places within reach of Greenville. Four persons have been baptized on that field. Appropriation, $100.

N. G. Willcox has preached at Ringwood once a month, at Ringwood & Harrison's shop. Appropriation, $37.50.

Elder J. W. Sledge has been laboring at Sulphur Springs. This field,

now become self-supporting; asks for no further aid. They thank your body for the aid which, under God's blessing, has enabled them to reach this blessed condition. Appropriation, $60.

L. M. Curtis labored three months on the field now occupied by W. S. Ballard. Appropriation, $50.

It will be seen from this report that the efforts of your committee have been directed mainly to those counties in which there has been but little Baptist preaching hitherto. It is our opinion that this policy should be continued until there shall be some strong, self-sustaining churches in each county. God has richly blessed the labors of the missionaries, and in this fact we recognize His call to go forward.

C. M. COOKE, *Chairman.*

Report on Associational Missions read by Bro. Huf ham for Chairman. The report was followed in discussion by Brethren Duke, Vann and Huf ham. After which roll of churches was called, and amounts below pledged—

Scotland Neck	$ 400 00	Gethsemane	$ 10 00
Louisburg	125 00	New Hope	5 00
Bear Swamp	75 00	Matthew Strickland	10 00
Henderson	60 00	Crocker's Chapel	5 00
Warrenton	50 00	W. S. Ballard	5 00
Brown's	50 00	J. W. Sledge	5 00
Tarboro	50 00	Red Bud	5 00
Wilson	50 00	Conoconary	5 00
Weldon	25 00	John's Chapel	5 00
Sharon	25 00	Corinth	5 00
Maple Springs	25 00	Free Chapel	5 00
Mt. Zion	25 00	Pleasant Grove	5 00
G. M. Duke	25 00	Turkey Branch	5 00
Mildred	20 00	R. D. Harper	5 00
Williamston	20 00	Willis Boon	5 00
Hamilton	20 00	James Brewer	5 00
Harriss' Chapel	20 00	Elm Grove	5 00
Gardner's	20 00	Pactolus	5 00
Poplar Spring	20 00	Enterprise	5 00
Mrs. C. M. Cooke	20 00	J. H. Burroughs	5 00
Philadelphia G. M. D	20 00	Samuel Harper	5 00
Fishing Creek	15 00	Rehoboth	5 00
Battleboro	15 00	J. B. Brewer	5 00
Cedar Rock	15 00	Mrs. T. J. Mitchell	5 00
Pine Forest	10 00	Mrs. E. W. Timberlake	5 00
Bethel	10 00	H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
Hickory	10 00	Walter Kittrell	2 50
Ephesus	10 00	R. B. Gillam	2 50
Samaria	10 00	Ivy Allen	2 50
Nashville	10 00	Hobgood	2 50
Reedy Creek	10 00	George Coppedge	2 50
Enfield	10 00	S. S. Hendricks	2 50
Elm City	10 00	I. R. Coggin	2 00
New Bethel	10 00	T. J. Rodgers	2 00
L. W. Bagley	10 00	Mrs. W. K. Martin	2 00
Dawson's	10 00	J. W. Coggin	1 00
Middleburg	10 00	E. W. May	1 00
Quankie	10 00	B. B. Collins, paid	1 00
Spring Hope	7 50	M. Batchelor	1 00
Antioch	5 00		
Stanhope	5 00	Total	$1,517 50
Eagle's	5 00		

The report was adopted.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, 2:30 O'CLOCK.

The Association was led in prayer by Bro. Sledge.

The Treasurer of the Executive Committee presented his report, which was referred to Bro. W. E. Daniel to audit, who, after examination, reported as follows:

"I have examined the report of Noah Biggs, Treasurer of the Executive Committee, and the vouchers of all payments, and find the same correct. W. E. DANIEL, *Auditor.*"

THE TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

1892.	To paid Eld W. B. Morton, 2 mos. services around Weldon	$	16 66
	" Eld. J. W. Powell, services in Edgecombe County all the time		300 00
	" Eld. L. M. Curtis, 2 mos. services in lower part of Halifax County		50 00
	" Eld. A. D. Hunter, for services in Pitt County		100 00
	" Eld G. J. Dowell, for services in Martin County		150 00
	" Eld. J. F. Love, for services 2 mos. around Rocky Mount		25 00
	" Eld. J. R. Pacé, for all his time in Edgecombe and Pitt		250 00
	" Eld. J W. Sledge		60 00
	" Eld. J. F. Tuttle, for services in Washington		125 00
	" Eld. A. G. Wilcox		37 50
	" Eld. R. D. Harper		25 00
	" Eld. J. R Mathews, services in Beaufort County		75 00
	" Eld. W. C. Nowell, for services at Stanhope and Spring Hope		41 66
	" Eld. Q C. Davis, for his field		37 50
	" Eld. A. G. Willcox, for record book, by order of the Association		5 33
	" Eld. W. S. Ballard, for all his time in lower end of Halifax County		150 00
	Total	$	1,448 65

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By balance due Association October, 1891	$	434 31
By cash from Association		1,236 98
By cash from Littleton Church		10 00
By cash from Quankie Church		10 00
	$	1,691 29
Balance due Association this day		242 64

Executive Committee for next year reappointed, or same as last year.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The great interest which is being manifested among the Baptists of our State in the cause of education—education ministerial, literary and scientific—to say the least, is remarkable, and ought to be a matter of congratulation on the part of all of our people, and especially of the Baptists themselves.

We can justly claim that we are sending out into the gospel ministry large numbers of trained and educated men, and we believe that in the near future their labors will give an accelerated impetus to the propagation of the principles we believe and teach.

We have, also, a large number of schools and colleges in which boys

and girls, men and women can have literary and scientific training of the most complete and finished kind. Wake Forest, of course, heads the list, and directly to its inspiration and work, the writer believes, is due, in great measure, the rapid progress made by the denomination in North Carolina. No man can calculate the good this institution has done for the good of the State. It is now presided over by a gentleman of the very highest Christian character and ability, and one who is thought by many of the most scholarly people of our State to write and to speak the best and purest English of our time. The chair of Greek is filled by a gentleman of thorough culture, and as a scholar in his specialty, holds a deservedly high place in the rank of eminent teachers of the Greek. All the other departments (the Faculty consisting of twelve) are well and honestly filled. The two hundred and more young men who study at Wake Forest have the opportunity for a good education.

At Moravian Falls, Wakefield, Bethel Hill and Boiling Springs there are good academies under denominational influences, and the number is large of schools and academies which are presided over by men and women who are of our faith and order, conspicuous among which is Mr. Bagley's school at Littleton.

In the field of female education we have the Chowan Baptist Institute, presided over by Prof. J. B. Brewer, of Wake Forest. This school is the property of the Baptist denomination, controlled by a board of trustees appointed by the Chowan Association. Here eight teachers are employed—four in the literary department, three in the department of music, and one in that of art. All are graduates of the colleges and universities, and the teachers in music and in art increase their proficiency each year by a course of study in the schools of New York and Boston during the vacation term. The number of young ladies in attendance last year was ninety, of which number eighty boarded at the Institute. There is no preparatory department, the school being divided into four collegiate classes and two sub-collegiate classes. This school was founded in 1848.

The Oxford Seminary is in charge of Prof. F. P. Hobgood, with Mrs. Maria Parham, lady Principal, one of the most accomplished and cultured ladies in the State. Mr. Hobgood owns the entire property. The Faculty consists of eight members, four in the literary department, three in music and one in art, all with college and university training, one of the teachers of music coming from the Royal Conservatory of Music of Berlin, and the others trained at the Philadelphia Conservatory of Music. The teacher in art was taught at the Cooper Union Art School, New York. Rev. Mr. Jenkins (University of Virginia) teaches mathematics, natural science and the Bible; Miss Lowndes (of Sauveur School of Languages); Miss Rountree, history, English and mathematics; Mrs. Parham, English literature and rhetoric, and Miss Jordan, elocution. This school was founded in 1850, by the Baptists at Oxford, N. C., for the education of girls, with Rev. Samuel Waitt as President, and it has continued, under various managements, till now. For twelve years it has been under the charge of President Hobgood. This and the Chowan Institute are schools that can meet all of our demands, and are entitled, on the ground of merit, to the patronage of our people.

It is hoped that our people will train their daughters at home in the way they should go, and send them to such schools as educate the mind and the conscience for the higher duties of life.

Oct. 8, 1892. W. MONTGOMERY, *Committee.*

The report on education was read by Bro. Montgomery, and discussed by Bros. Royal, Brewer, Hobgood and Montgomery, after which the

roll of churches was called, and the amounts below pledged, to be paid during the year:

Henderson	$ 30 00	Gardner's	$ 5 00
Scotland Neck	25 00	A. A. Pippin	5 00
Warrenton	20 00	Bear Swamp	2 00
Weldon	15 00	Fishing Creek	2 00
Louisburg	10 00	Warren Plains	2 00
G. M. Duke	10 00	R. T. Vann	5 00
Tarboro	10 00	Q. C. Davis	5 00
Brown's	5 00	E. W. Timberlake	5 00
Dawson's	5 00	J. W. Mitchell, for Littleton	5 00
Conoconary	5 00	Middleburg	3 00
Ephesus	5 00	L. E. Lancas	1 00
Reedy Creek	5 00		
Sharon	5 00	Total	$190 00

The report was adopted.

A motion prevailed that the money in the hands of G. M. Duke unexpended in the education of Bro. B. B. Collins be turned over to Bro. May.

The committee to nominate delegates to the State Convention made the following report: George Coppedge, G. M. Duke, George J. Dowell, W. B Morton, T. J. Taylor, A. G. Willcox, W. E. Bowers, W. E. Daniel, N. Biggs, L. W. Bagley, C. M. Cooke, J. H. Johnson, John A. Coppedge, N. B. Cobb, E. W. Timberlake, George Blount, George Parker, R. M. Johnson, R. D. Fleming, J. D. Hufham, A. W. Jackson, T. J. Mitchell, N. L. Shaw, John E. White, R. T. Vann, R. VanDeventer, J. W. Smithwick, Dennis Simmons, J. H. Burroughs, J. W. Sledge, N. Macon, L. C. Perkinson, I. H. Uzzell, W. S. Ballard.

Adjourned.

At night Rev. R. VanDeventer preached a denominational sermon; text, I Cor. xi: 26. A strong, forceful, gospel sermon.

SATURDAY, October 8, 9:30 O'clock.

Association assembled and was lead in prayer by Bro. Johnson.

Report on Foreign Missions by Bro. VanDeventer:

Resolved, That we undertake to raise $1,000 for Foreign Missions during the next Associational year.

After stirring remarks by Brethren Taylor, VanDeventer and Huf ham, the report was unanimously adopted.

Bro. Taylor offered the following resolution in connection with the above report, which was passed:

Resolved, That a meeting of all the Unions connected with this Association be held, commencing on Friday before last Sunday in July, 1893. Bro. VanDeventer to prepare programme and secure place of meeting.

HOME MISSIONS.

The work of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention during the last ten years, viewed in the light of the results achieved, forms one of the most thrilling chapters in the history of modern evangelization.

The work of this Board has embraced all the Southern States from North Carolina to the Mississippi River; from Ohio to the Gulf; the colored population in these States, and the Indians, and outside of our borders has extended its arms over Cuba. The results obtained are matters of history. Our efforts have been almost marvelously blessed, and the consideration of this report by this Association should be an

occasion of great thankfulness to God for the signal blessings that have attended the work, and a renewed determination to support and sustain the Board in its extension.

But when we recollect that in the Southern States there are immense territories on which the Master's banner has not been planted—that in Louisiana alone there are 250,000 people without the gospel; that in Missouri there are more than 800,000 Germans among whom no Baptist effort outside of the work of the Board has been made; that in Arkansas the destitution is even greater than in Louisiana, and in Texas three times as great as in either; that in Oklahoma and the whole Indian country but a beginning has been made, and that in Cuba, where the marvelous labors of Diaz have challenged the attention and admiration not only of Baptists but of the world—we but stand upon the outskirts of a yet unconquered empire. When we remember these things, we are impressed that this is no time for retreat or retrenchment, but are constrained to cry out as Xavier, "More, Lord! yet more!"

Your Committee does not think it necessary to offer to the Association a long array of statistics to support the demand upon it for increased exertion. As Baptists we exult in an open Bible, and a strict adherence to its teachings. And we call for no proof to convince us that Christ meant what He said when He declared as He sent forth His disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Let us then stand by this work and bend anew our energies to the propagation of Home Mission work through our Home Mission Board at Atlanta.

J. E. WHITE.

Report on Home Missions read by Bro. Mitchell. Report was discussed by Brethren Vann and Cade. The report was adopted with the following resolution:

Moved that we undertake to raise $500 during the year, and that Bro. VanDeventer arrange for it with his programme for Foreign Missions.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

To the Tar River Baptist Association:

Any report upon periodicals which should pretend to give any reasons for their support other than that they were ably edited and true exponents of Baptist doctrines would, in this age of literature and reading, be a matter of supererogation. With this view, I shall simply bring before the Association first, the organ of the denomination—the *Biblical Recorder*. The *Recorder* is and has been for years the official paper for the Baptists, and either this or a similar publication is a matter of necessity. Of the other papers published in the State, and which are well worth the patronage of the denomination, are the *North Carolina Baptist* and *Charity and Children*, while *The Home Field*, *The Foreign Mission Journal*, the *Kind Words Series* and the publications of the American Baptist Publication Society are all true exponents of our faith, and should have a liberal following. The *Wake Forest Student* should not be forgotten. It is a valuable paper for those taking an active interest in the college, and for its old students will be found of special interest.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS B. WILDER.

Report on Periodicals by Bro. Wilder discussed by Brethren Boon, Huf ham and Pace, and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,
In account with A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

Oct. 1891.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Finance Committee—		
For Education		$ 17 74
Colportage		1 00
Sunday-schools		2 00
Orphanage		71 19
Foreign Missions		76 17
Home Missions		29 39
State Missions		20 50
Minutes		70 50
Cash Collection—		
For Colportage		3 94
Orphanage		31 40
Aged ministers		28 35
B. B. Collins		12 30
Clerk and Record Book		4 22
Received from Quankie Associational Missions		10 00
For Orphanage		3 20
Education		5 00
Minutes		1 10
Total		$388 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount due Clerk at last session	$ 1 50	
By amounts paid J. D. Boushall—		
For Education	17 74	
Colportage	4 94	
Sunday-schools	2 00	
Foreign Missions	76 17	
Home Missions	29 39	
State Missions	20 50	
Education, from Quankie	5 00	
Orphanage, from Quankie	3 20	
By amounts due J. H. Mills—		
Cash collection for Orphanage	31 40	
From Finance Committee for Orphanage	71 19	
By amount due C. A. Woodson, Aged Ministers Fund	28 35	
By amount due G. M. Duke, for B. B. Collins	12 30	
By amount due Edwards & Broughton, 1,500 Minutes	50 00	
Clerk's fee	25 00	
Record book and expressage	2 25	
Sixty-five blank church letters and mailing them	2 00	
Stationery, mailing manuscript, etc.	60	
Paid N. Biggs, from Quankie for Associational Missions	10 00	
		$393 53
To balance due Treasurer	$ 5 53	
By cash of N. Biggs	5 53	
	$11 06	

The Treasurer's Report, accompanied by the Auditor's Report, was presented and adopted.

I have examined the report of A. G. Willcox, Treasurer of the Association, and the vouchers of all payments, and find same correct.

W. E. DANIEL, *Auditor.*

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Deacon O. C. Farrar was born in Person County, N. C. By the failure of his father's health, the burden of caring for the family was thrown upon him while he was yet a boy. By work on the farm and teaching school he was enabled to discharge this duty until he reached the age of manhood. Then he began to deal in manufactured tobacco, first for others, and then on his own account. At the outbreak of the late war he had established a large trade in the eastern part of the State. During the continuance of that struggle he was employed by the Confederate government in procuring supplies for the army. At its close he settled in Edgecombe County as merchant and cotton buyer. In 1870 he removed to Tarboro, and thenceforward, to the day of his death, he was the leading business man of the place. In 1880 he made a profession of faith and was baptized into the fellowship of the Church at Tarboro. Into his religious life he carried the activity and earnestness which had marked his business career. He was made a deacon, and was, at times, superintendent of the Sunday school. In all the works of the Church he was deeply interested, and was a liberal contributor to them. During the last year of his life he was moved to build a house of worship for his Church. This he did at a cost of some $8.000, and left it to his brethren on conditon that they pay the cost of the land on which it stood. It is a beautiful and enduring monument to him. Death came to him unexpectedly, but it did not find him unprepared.

Sister Mamie Dey Williams, beloved wife of Capt. S. F. Williams, died at her home, in Williamston, the past Associational year. Large in body, her soul would have been cramped in a space less than her body occupied. Beautiful in person, she was also beautiful in heart and life. The church at Williamston, N. C., has lost much in her death. As a Christian, Sunday-school teacher, neighbor and friend, in the social circle, and everywhere, she moved in graceful proportions. When the eyes of her friends shall fall upon this humble tribute they will remember with pleasure and sadness the dear one who has passed to her home beyond the skies.

Sister Martha Alexander Simmons, wife of Bro. Dennis Simmons, died, the past year, at her home in Williamston, N. C. She was one of the brightest and best of Christian women. Through her untiring efforts the church at Williamston was built Her whole life was spent in the Master's service, and her presence was a benediction everywhere she chanced to go She was a faithful Sunday-school worker; a friend to the poor and needy; a faithful worker for the Lord Jesus everywhere. She spent her life in doing good, and has passed to her reward. When the day shall come for the Master to call up his jewels, many young men and young women she has assisted to positions of honor and usefulness will arise and call her blessed.

Report on Obituaries by Bro. Hufham, and after feeling remarks, report adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Wordsworth said: "Let the Bible be always at your right hand and the book at your left." So in our Sunday-school work the Bible must be our chief corner-stone. Let us never lose sight of the fact that Christ is all and in all, and that it is for His glory we are working. We should take courage from the approval of our work which Christ has given to it, by taking from our Sunday-school scholars so many and replanting into the church, who make the best and most zealous and consecrated workers in the church. A very large, if not the largest, percentage of our most active and liberal givers come direct from the school. Our progress is sure and onward In 1889 we had officers and teachers, 389; in 1891 we had 427. In 1889 we had scholars, 2,811; in 1891, 3,592. School expenses 1889, $785.27; 1891, $979.52. I find nothing for foreign and other missions, but judge this is all done through the

church statistics, as our best and most liberal workers in the church are our Sunday-school workers. The demand on us now is for greater efforts and more liberal giving. I would urge our Sunday-school workers in their statistics to report every object that the church letter contains, and to give some collection to every one of those objects. Be sure and incorporate in your report the number of conversions from the school, and number of months school is kept open. The Baptist Orphanage being, I might say, the twin-sister to the Sunday-school, the church having us both under its care and being our foster-mother, the Orphanage demands of us—*the Sunday-school*—special interest and makes special demands on our liberality. I would ask of every Sunday-school here represented to take one special collection each month for the Orphanage and forward the same to Bro. Mills, reporting the total amount sent in Associational letter. We recommend our Sunday-school Supply Store at Raleigh. We heartily commend its efforts. We also recommend the Southern Convention Board' periodicals published at Nashville, Tenn., for use in the schools.

J. A. COPPEDGE, *Committee.*

Report on Sunday-schools by Bro. Coppedge, without discussion, was adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report receipts—

For Associational Missions, from churches	$ 894 57
" " " " individuals	7 00
" State Missions, from churches	8 95
" Home Missions, from churches	25 99
" Foreign Missions, from individuals	158 17
" Aged Ministers	2 86
" Orphanage, from churches	137 58
" Education, from churches	22 00
" Colportage, from churches	32 74
" Sunday-schools, from churches	3 83
" Minutes, from churches	66 61
Total	$1,360 30

Respectfully submitted. FRANK TILLERY, J. P. TIMBERLAKE, A. W. JACKSON, } *Com.*

Report adopted.

Bro. W. B. Morton elected a delegate to Southern Baptist Convention. G. M. Duke, alternate.

The Clerk was instructed to have usual number of Minutes printed and to receive usual compensation.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

Among the evidences of "pure religion and undefiled before God" we find "to visit the fatherless" pre-eminent. To do this is an example of practical Christianity, and the duty is laid upon us peculiarly.

Leading all other denominations in North Carolina in the establishing of an institution where those who are fatherless and motherless can find protection, maintenance and a Christian education, it is our duty as Baptists to also lead in its support. To that end your committee recommends to this Association that our Orphanage at Thomasville shall have the sympathy, the prayers, and the unstinted support of every church in the Tar River Association. We further recommend to the pastors and superintendents of the Sunday-schools that in each church one collection a year be devoted to this object, and that each Sunday-school shall give one collection a month for the same purpose.

Our religious life will be broadened and strengthened by a systematic practice of this charity that ought to press so heavily upon our hearts.

Respectfully submitted, W. E. DANIEL, *Committee.*

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS RELIEF.

The most beautiful of the Christian virtues is gratitude. And we know of nothing else so well calculated to inspire and call out this beautiful virtue as the obligation God puts us under to provide for those aged and infirm men who have given their lives in the service of their brethren and of the churches. The brotherhood of this Association, and of the entire State should rally to the support of this board as they have not done hitherto, so that the evening time of life of these aged and infirm servants of Christ may be spent in the freedom from care which encourages to the calm and joyful contemplation of the glories of the future world. BAYLUS CADE, *Committee.*

The following resolution of thanks by Bro. Johnson was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we extend the thanks of this Association to the people of Louisburg and vicinity, and to the other denominations for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained the delegates and visitors to the Association, and also to the railroads for courtesies extended.

A small cash collection of $5.20 was taken for Gethsemane, and turned over to J. R. Pace.

After a most delightful session, the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Philadelphia, on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1893. W. E. BOWERS,

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk.* *Moderator.*

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.
4. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.
5. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.
7. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.
8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.
9. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.
10. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
11. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.
12. An order of business, assigning a definite time to each topic to be brought before the Association, shall be made at the beginning of each session, and this order shall not be departed from in any case without unanimous consent.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, and died since last Association.

3. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sum as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read, and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11. The Association shall have power to inquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good, moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14. The Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

17. The business of this Association shall be conducted according to Mills' Parliamentary Practice.

Churches.	Clerks and Post-Office Addresses.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville			1	2	1	1	16	33		49
Bethel	W. A. Knox, Bethel	8			2	1	1	11	18		29
Battleboro	J. B. Reid, Battleboro	1	1		2		1	23	28		51
Bear Swamp	U. Chichester, Brinkleyville	16				1	2	69	89	8	166
Brown's	Howard Allen, Warrenton	14	7	1	2	1	3	54	67		121
Corinth	W. H. Bledsoe, Moulton	35	2				1	53	78		131
Conoconary	P. V. Tillery, Tillery	11		3	4		2	59	89		148
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope			1	2	2	3	17	40		57
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	6	4		6	1	2	64	80		144
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	6			2			7	9		16
Castalia	S. J. Bartholomew, Castalia	5	4					9	16		25
Dawson's	O. C. Stallings, Dawson's X Roads	16	1	2	5		1	48	60		108
Eagle's											
Elm City	W. D. Carter, Elm City	9	7		2	1		34	37		71
Elm Grove	E. H. Weaver, Nashville	4	1	2			1	23	70		93
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	12	3			1	3	32	52		84
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	7						13	21		34
Enterprise											59
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ita			1	2	4		30	35		65
Free Chapel	T. A. Bone, Nashville	6		1	1	1	1	12	15		27
Gethsemane	H. H. Rasberry, Whitakers										12
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	1	1		3	5	1	50	81		131
Greenville	L. W. Lawrence, Greenville	13	7		3	1	1	43	77		120
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	2	3				1	9	15		24
Henderson	S. S. Parham, Henderson	37	11	2	20	2	1				210
Hamilton	F. H. Robertson, Hamilton		1			21	1	18	37		55
Harriss' Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola	4						27	46		73

STATISTICAL TABLE.—Continued.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Colored.	Total.
Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock		2		1		5	23	37		60
Johns' Chapel	J. P. Underwood, Eatman	5	1		4	3		17	37		54
Littleton	Ivy Allen, Littleton	1	6	1	11		3	30	50		80
Louisburg	E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg		2		9			60	85		145
Maple Spring	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	29	2		1		2	50	81		131
Mount Hebron	S. T. Gupton, Centerville	12	6		1	3	1	27	66		93
Mount Zion	C. M. Bartholomew, Mapleville	14		1	3	2	2	49	93		142
Mildred	W. A. Thigpen, Conetoe	13	2			1		20	30		50
Middleburg	W. H. Kimball, Middleburg				3			15	21		36
*Macon											
New Hope	J. T. Dow, Wilson	8		2	9	1	3	30	33		63
New Bethel	J. W. Stokes, Epson	19	3	1	6	7	1	63	114		177
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	1	6					10	20		30
Pactolas	J. B. Little, Pactolas					3	1	14	25		39
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Duke's	10	1	1		1		77	97		174
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	8	10	2	12	5	2	83	169		252
Peach Tree	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunt's				9	7	3	52	100		152
Pleasant Grove	V. B. Matthews, Nashville		5		3	1	1	43	70	5	118
Pine Forest	D. L. Beach, Everett's	4	2			2	2				46
Quankie	J. J. Cullen, Weldon						3	49	65		114
Red Bud	Sam. Harper, Castalia	31	4	4	2		1	94	134		228
Rock Springs	J. H. Odom, Louisburg				3	3	1	33	70		103
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek	8	1		7	24	6	63	117		180
Rocky Mount	G. L. W. Pegram, Rocky Mount	17	4	2	8	1	5	39	68		107
Rehoboth	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount	4		1	3		2	39	41		80
Stanhope	E. J. Dillard, Finch	4	18					10	12		22
Samaria	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope	2	4	1	9	2		53	159		210

Sulphur Springs	J. L. Rodgers, Brodie		1		1			28	30		58
Sharon	T. R. Perkinson, Wise			1	5	11	1	34	69		103
Spring Hope	S. M. Wheeless, Spring Hope	2	5		2		1	10	16		26
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	18	9		12		4	103	153		256
Social Plains	J. S. Haywood, Union Hope	7		1	1			16	38		54
Sandy Creek	N. Davis, Oswego	48	1	2	4			97	120		217
*Sharpsburg											13
Tarboro	Robert A. Williams, Tarboro	4			3						23
Turkey Branch	W. J. Hardy, Enfield	1	2		2	2	2	18	36		54
Tar River Springs											
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon				1			29	38		67
Wilson	Robert E. Lee, Wilson	40	26	1	4	15	2	84	124		208
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton		2		2	1	3	44	69		113
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	9	5	5	7	0	3	56	76		132
Williamston	Speight Dowell, Williamston	4	2		4	3	2	10	29		39
Washington	W. W. Thomas, Washington		3	1				5	23		28
		536	188	39	207	141	88	2298	3708	13	6381

*Last year's statistics.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars.	No. Volumes in Library.	No. of Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	School Expenses.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.
Antioch	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	9	30		168	$ 1 50	$	$
Bethel	J. R Bullock, Bethel	4	30		41	4 81		
Battleboro	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	7	30	90	60	75 10		
Brown's	J. A. Tunstall, Brookston	12	110			20 00		
Bear Swamp	W. E. Bowers, Brinkleyville	7	30					
Corinth	L. E. Lancaster, Louisburg	8	60		40	12 00		
Conoconary	P. V. Tillery, Tillery	7	25		50	8 40		
Cypress Chapel	J. H. Bruton, Spring Hope	3	38		80			
Cedar Rock	W. M Boon, Cedar Rock	14	86	100	86	15 00	5 00	3 00
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	7	20					
Dawson's	O. C. Stallings, Dawson's X Roade	8	41		100	6 00		
Elm City	W. D. Carter, Elm City	13	130		156	25 00		
Elm Grove	J. F. Procter, Nashville	5	25					
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	5	80	117	50	11 00		
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	3	19	50	22	20 00		
Fishing Creek	Miss Maud Bobbitt, Ita	5	41					
Free Chapel	Alfred Joyner, Nashville	5	57		1	3 00		
Gardner's	John M. Coleman, Churchill	19	120		120	17 50	5 50	3 82
Greenville	C. D. Rountree, Greenville	10	80	550	140	64 40	12 50	
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	4	30		55	8 00		
Henderson	Thomas M. Pitman, Henderson		130			58 84	22 46	
Branch School		1	122					
Hamilton	John Ducket, Hamilton	9	38	56	69	21 29		
Harriss' Chapel	C. G. Wood, Arcola	7	50	12		2 00		
Hickory	T. E. Powell, Gold Rock	7	30		30	2 25	4 75	50

Johns' Chapel	J. M. Glover, Glover	6	65	74		6 00		
Littleton	Ivy Allen, Littleton	10	72	195	66	30 00	15 00	5 00
Louisburg	E. S. Green, Louisburg	7	80		75	40 00		
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	12	120	200	120	50 00		5 00
Mt. Hebron	A. C. Griffin, Argo	10	70					
Mt. Zion	W. T. Cooper, Laurel	8	60		80	10 75		
Mildred	E. C. Knight, Mildred	6	60	25	75	10 00		
Branch		4	42		60	3 00		
New Bethel	W. B. Daniel, Epsom	7	105		60	6 08		
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	5	30		60	6 40		
Pactolus	S. J. Fleming, Pactolus	5	30	52	100	20 00		
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	9	75	100	36	26 00		
Pleasant Grove	W. G. W. Stone, Oakland	5	43					
Quankie	Mox Dickens, Aurelian Springs,	8	35		42	4 00		
Red Bud	L. R. Pearce, Centreville	10	40		40	4 00		
Reedy Creek	Walter Hardy, Grove Hill	6	51		2	5 00		27 50
Rocky Mount	D. Worthington, Rocky Mount	9	90		135	35 07	28 87	5 58
Stanhope	J. E. Hocutt, Finch	7	82		49	8 00		
Samaria	J. M. Brantley, Union Hope	6	100		25	3 00		
Sulphur Springs	Thomas Limer, Warrenton	9	59		46	18 19		
Sharon	J. H. Hicks, Wise	7	40	50	44	23 55	9 44	
Spring Hope	W. A. Egerton, Spring Hope	6	35		85	9 89		
Scotland Neck	A. McDowell, Scotland Neck	22	207	600	250	100 00	150 00	
Sandy Creek	Wesley Burnett, Oswego	10	85	50	75	8 25		
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	6	25	50	25		43 00	
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	6	63		118	34 00	12 95	9 31
Wilson	G. W. Blount, Wilson	17	98	200	150	75 00	25 00	
Washington	J. I. Wood, Washington	8	44		53	10 50		
Williamston	Dennis Simmons, Williamston	6	87	75	101	22 00	13 36	
Branch	James B. Quartermas, Williamston	3	57			5 00	2 66	
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	14	104	250	142	48 10	16 33	2 55
Warrenton	J. R. Rodwell, Warrenton	12	90	236	134	38 68	3 50	
		444	3696	3441	3546	$976 44	$370 32	$52 36

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Minute Fund.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Sunday-school.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Other Objects.	TOTAL.
Antioch	$ 25 00	$ 6 80	$	$ 50	$ 1 00	$ 2 00	$ 1 00	$	$	$	$	$ 1 00	$	$ 50	$ 37 80
Bethel	50 00	1 85		50		1 36		5 00				1 11		67	60 49
Battleboro	125 12	3 00		1 00			3 55	12 00			5 00				269 55
Brown's	150 00		15 00	1 50	6 09	5 00	6 42	16 00		5 00		25 00			230 01
Bear Swamp	150 00		12 00	1 00		1 00	15 25	50 00	1 00			21 73		23 20	275 18
Corinth	125 00	31 00	12 00	60				5 00	5 00		5 68				184 28
Conoconary	100 00		4 39	1 75	1 45	90	2 70					5 25			116 44
Cypress Chapel				1 00				5 00							6 00
Cedar Rock	125 00			1 50		1 00	3 25	15 00	1 00			2 90			149 65
Crocker's Chapel				50				5 00							5 50
Castalia				80											2 00
Dawson's	100 00	10 00	10 00	1 50		2 00	2 00	8 00				1 20			135 90
Elm City	175 00			1 00			3 00	5 00				2 40			184 00
Elm Grove	75 00			1 00				5 00							81 00
Ephesus	75 00			1 50			5 00	10 00			2 20				93 70
Eagle's				50											50
Enfield	100 00	12 45	25	25				4 00							116 95
Enterprise															
Fishing Creek	100 00			79		4 00	8 16	4 00	3 00			5 00			124 95
Free Chapel	35 00			55			1 00	1 00							37 55
Gardner's	150 00	54 00	2 60	2 00	1 95	3 10	5 75		3 20			10 91		48 26	279 79
Greenville	375 00	150 00	15 00	1 50		10 00	25 00	35 00				58 50	6 96	200 00	876 96
Gethsemane				1 00											1 00
Hobgood	25 00	14 15		50								2 62			42 27
Henderson	1,200 00	110 06		2 00	87 70	68 25	138 71		56 41						2,207 86
Hamilton	250 00	15 00		1 00				16 15				99 03		445 00	282 65
Harriss' Chapel	100 00			1 50		5 00	12 36	20 00	2 00	1 00	1 62	10 00		2 24	155 72
Hickory	75 00		1 25	1 00			3 77	8 10						7 00	96 12
Johns' Chapel	40 00	8 75		75			5 00								54 50
Littleton	175 00	73 30	10 00	1 50			15 00	7 18				7 52		41 40	330 90
Louisburg	700 00	50 00		2 00			25 00	75 00	12 00			25 00	22 50	400 00	1,311 50
Maple Springs	150 00			2 00			5 00	25 00				5 00			187 00
Mt. Hebron	75 00			1 00											76 00

Mt. Zion	150 00			1 50			10 00	25 00		5 00		5 00				196 50
Mildred	200 00			50										150 00		350 50
Middleburg	100 00	7 95		50			5 00	10 00	1 00			3 37	1 86			129 68
Macon																
New Hope	30 00		1 65				5 00				65					37 30
New Bethel	100 00	6 25	10 30	1 00	1 50	1 00	93 25	10 00			2 00					225 31
Nashville	75 00			1 00				10 00								86 00
Pactolus	100 00	7 00		1 00		2 00		10 00				7 50	4 00			131 50
Philadelphia	100 00			1 00			1 00	20 00				1 00				123 00
Poplar Springs	150 00	5 65		2 00			10 60	20 00				17 47				205 72
Peach Tree	100 00			1 00			1 77	1 78				5 00				109 55
Pleasant Grove				1 50				5 00								6 50
Pine Forest	10 30			75				5 00						100 00		116 05
Quankie								10 00								10 00
Red Bud		4 00	12 50	1 50			3 00	5 00				3 10				29 10
Rock Spring				1 50				9 05								10 55
Reedy Creek	100 00			1 50		2 84	10 00	10 00	5 00			10 00	1 00			140 00
Rocky Mount	400 00	158 94	12 50	1 00			11 35	25 19				9 56		158 35		776 89
Rehoboth	100 00						1 40									101 40
Stanhope	55 00			50				5 00								60 50
Samaria	100 00	2 00		1 05			1 77	10 00				1 26		90		116 98
Sulphur Springs	70 00	5 35		65			2 45	2 45				2 45				83 35
Sharon	150 00	2 00	6 00	1 00		15 78	3 37	25 00				16 05	1 20			261 40
Spring Hope	75 00	2 14	8 45	50				5 00		2 50		6 86				109 95
Sharpsburg																
Scotland Neck	1,000 00	100 00	40 00	2 00	235 00	37 00	25 00	200 00	6 50			195 00		200 00		2,040 50
Social Plains	40 00			50								1 25				41 75
Sandy Creek				1 50				5 00				1 00				7 50
Tarboro	500 00	85 00		1 00				35 00								536 85
Turkey Branch	50 00			95			4 00	5 00								59 95
Tar River Springs																
Weldon	105 50	27 20	44 50	1 00	5 00	5 00	10 00		5 00			6 45				210 66
*Wilson	1,089 10	95 50	29 38													1,211 98
Washington	100 00	14 96	7 46	1 00								5 00				128 42
Williamston	400 00	67 55		60			3 10	12 60						319 56		803 41
Warren Plains	100 00	14 88	7 05	1 25	3 06	5 40	11 06	5 51				24 49		14 53		187 23
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*$5,480

FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Sunday-school.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minute Fund.
Antioch	$ 1 00	$ 1 00	$ 2 00	$	$	$	$	$ 1 00	$	$ 50
Bethel				5 00						50
Brown's				16 75						1 50
Battleboro		3 55		12 00						1 00
Bear Swamp				50 00	1 00			5 00		1 00
Castalia								13 51		80
Cedar Rock		4 25	2 00	15 00	2 00			1 20		1 50
Cypress Chapel				5 00						1 00
Corinth				5 00	5 00					60
Conoconary	1 45	2 70	90					5 68		1 75
Crocker's Chapel				5 00				5 25		50
Dawson's		2 00	2 00	8 00						1 50
Eagle's								2 40		50
Elm Grove				5 00						1 00
Enterprise										
Elm City		3 00		5 00						1 00
Ephesus		3 70		10 00				2 20		1 50
Enfield				4 00						25
Free Chapel		1 00		1 00						55
Fishing Creek			4 00	4 00	3 00			5 00		79
Greenville										1 25
Gardner's				20 00						2 00
Gethsemane										1 00
Hobgood										50
Henderson										2 00
Hamilton				16 15						1 00
Hickory				8 10		50				1 00
Harriss' Chapel				20 00	2 00	1 00	1 62	10 00		1 50
Johns' Chapel		2 50								75
Louisburg		10 00	6 15	75 00		12 00		25 00		2 00
Littleton		15 00		7 18		5 00		6 48		1 50
Mount Hebron										1 00
Mount Zion			2 94	25 00		5 00		39		1 87
Mildred				10 00				5 00		50
Maple Spring		5 00		25 00		5 00		5 00		2 00
Middleburg		5 00		10 00	1 00			3 37	1 86	
Macon										
New Bethel	1 50	82 25	1 00	10 00						1 00
Nashville				10 00						1 00
New Hope		5 00								
Poplar Spring				20 00				5 00		2 00
Peach Tree		1 77		1 78				5 00		1 00
Pactolas										1 25
Pine Forest				5 00						75
Pleasant Grove				5 00						1 50
Philadelphia		1 00		20 00				1 00		1 00
Quankie				10 00						
Rocky Mount										1 00
Rock Spring				9 05						1 50
Rehoboth										
Reedy Creek				10 00	5 00			2 90	1 00	1 50
Red Bud		3 00		5 00				3 10		1 50
Samaria				10 00						1 05
Sulphur Spring		2 45		2 45				2 45		65
Sharon				25 00						1 00
Social Plains								1 25		50
Spring Hope				5 00		2 50				50
Sandy Creek				6 00				1 00		1 50
Scotland Neck				200 00						2 00
Sharpsburg										
Stanhope				5 00						50
Tarboro				25 00						1 00
Turkey Branch		4 00		5 00						95
Warrenton				50 00						1 50
Wilson				25 00						
Warren Plains				5 51						1 25
Weldon	5 00		5 00	45 00	5 00	1 74	2 21	19 40		1 00
Williamston				12 60						60
Washington										1 00
	$ 8 95	$ 158 17	$25 99	$ 894 57	$22 00	$32 74	$ 3 83	$ 137 58	$ 2 86	$72 61

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PROGRAMME OF SERMONS:

To Preach Introductory Sermon.....W. B. Morton.
Alternate.....Duncan McLeod.
To Preach Missionary Sermon.....R. VanDeventer.
To Preach Denominational Sermon.....G. W. Harman.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

To Write on Sunday-schools.....L. W. Bagley.
To Write on Aged ministers.....N. L. Shaw.
To Write on Obituaries.....G. M. Duke.
To Write on State Missions.....G. W. Harman.
To Write on Foreign Missions.....R. VanDeventer.
To Write on Associational missions.....R. T. Vann.
To Write on Education.....E. E. Hilliard
To Write on Orphanage.....G. L. Parker.
To Write on Periodicals.....J. J. Whichard.

OFFICERS.

W. E, Bowers, Moderator.....Brinkleyville.
A. G. Wilcox, Clerk and Treasurer.....Brinkleyvile.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

N. Biggs, Treasurer, W. E. Bowers, W. E. Daniel, E. W. Timberlake, C. M. Cooke, L. M. Conyers.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Barkley, J. G.....Rocky Mount.
Bridgers, J. A.....Spring Hope.
Ballard, W. S.....Scotland Neck
Coppedge, Geo.....Moore's Mills.
Colbert, J. W.....Oswego
Driver, R.....Mapleville.
Duke, G. M.....Duke's
Dowell, G. J.....Williamston.
Hufham, J. D.....Tarboro.
Loyd, L. A.....Spring Hope.
Lambeth, J. H.....Greenville.
McLeod, Duncan.....Washington.
Morton, W. B.....Louisburg.
Noble, J. W.....Greenville.
Newell, G. W.....Mapleville.
Pace, J. R.....Whitaker's.
Pernell, M. R.....Louisburg.
Pippin, A. A.....Spring Hope.
Pitchford, J. A.....Littleton.
Perkinson, Levi.....Warren Plains.
Powell, J. W.....Mildred.
Smith, W. A.....Cedar Rock.
Sledge, J. W.....Cedar Rock.
Taylor, T. J.....Warrenton.
Vann, R. T.....Scotland Neck.
Vandeventer, R.....Henderson.
Willcox, A. G.....Brinkleyville.

LICENTIATES.

Hocutt, I. E.....Stanhope.
May, Geo.....Laurel.

PROCEEDINGS.

PHILADELPHIA, N. C., October 5, 1893.

The Tar River Association met with the Church here to-day in its Sixty-Third Annual session. Introductory sermon was preached by J. W. Powell, from John 21st chapter and 22nd verse. A cordial greeting was extended to delegates and visitors by Bro. Duke, the beloved pastor. After an intermission of an hour, the Association assembled and was led in prayer by Bro. McLeod. Brethren N. L. Shaw and W. B. Morton were appointed Reading Clerks; L. M. Conyers and M. T. Duke, Finance Committee. Roll of Churches was called and the delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—J. R. Collien, J. R. Parker, W. H. Smith.
Bethel—Letter.
Battleboro—G. W. Ward, J. A. Price, J. M. Huges.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, J. C. Marks, June Crawley.
Brown's—J. A. Tunstall, J. W. Allen, J. W. Smithwick.
Corinth—
Conoconary—J. P. Ellen, Jos. Pope.
Cypress Chapel—Letter.
Cedar Rock—J. A. Coppedge, R. R. Boon, J. T. Tuscow.
Crocker's Chapel—E. H. Crocker, W. W. Strickland, L. W. Griffin.
Castalia—S. W. Kittule, R. W. Brown, Joseph Wheless.
Dawson's—Edgar Barkley, J. W. Branch, Balford Dunn.
Eagles—
Elm City—W. E. Winstead, J. E. Adams, J. H. Barkley.
Elm Grove—J. F. Procter, B. W. Batchelor, R. L. Batchelor.
Ephesus—W. M. Warren, J. W. Floyd, Wm. Lamm.
Enfield—S. S. Alsop.
Enterprise—
Fishing Creek—W. W. Rosser, J. R. Saunders.
Gethsemane—H. H. Rasberry, O. L. Pittman, W. Partin.
Gardner's—W. A. Shaw, Herin Nicholson, A. Bascom.
Greenville—D. J. Whichard, J. A. Sugg, D. L. James.
Hobgood—W. L. Ballard, Jos. Jones, J. F. Elsworth.
Henderson—R. VanDeventer, T. P. Steward.
Hamilton—E. L. Perkins.
Harriss' Chapel—A. W. Hicks, W. E. Mabry.
Hickory—S. W. Edwards, T. E. Powell, W. S. Dozier.
John's Chapel—J. P. Underwood, J. H. Glover, J. W. B. Finch.
Littleton—Jesse Carter, L. W. Bagley.
Louisburg—T. B. Wilder, J. P. Timberlake, J. S. Meadows.
Maple Springs—A. W. Perry, I. H. Uzzell, C. P. Harriss.
Mount Hebron—E. Hawkins, J. Drake, A. H. Heck.
Mount Zion—William Cooper, W. T. Cooper, J. A. Andrews.
Mildred—C. M. Cobb, T. J. Crisp, Joe Spain.
Middleburg—
Macon—
New Bethel—S. Southerland, Y. B. Jones.
New Hope—
Nashville—W. B. Wood, M. C. Yarboro, L. M. Conyers.
Oak Level—T. A. Bone.
Pactolas—
Philadelphia—K. P. Leonard, D. A. Taylor, G. W. Duke.
Poplar Springs—C T. Cheavis, W. A. Carter, S. J. Alford.

Peach Tree—S. C. Edwards, G. Rice.
Pleasant Grove—N. Collins, J. R. Coggen, W. G. Stone.
Pine Forest—J. A. Whitley.
Quankie—Letter.
Red Bud—R. W. Lancaster, J. H. Wood, D. B. Pearce.
Rock Springs—B. F. Wilder, J. A. Underhill, J. W. Wheless.
Reedy Creek—J. A. Pitchford, M. T. Duke, E. Reggan.
Rocky Mount—E. W. Shearin, A. J. Williams, H. D. Epps.
Rehoboth—J. W. Ellen, J. C. Beal, J. E. Griffin.
Stanhope—A. A. Pippin, O. P. Dickerson, E. J. Dillard.
Samaria—D. S. Cone, A. T. Taylor, D. E. Cone.
Sulpher Springs—W. J. Wilson, J. L. Rogers, J. L. Aycock.
Sharon—L. E. Hicks, D. P. Hicks.
Spring Hope—J. J. Spirey, S. A. Marshbaum.
Scotland Neck—E. E. Hilliard, N. Biggs, R. T. Vann.
Social Plains—
Sandy Creek—G. T. Harper, J. J. Foster, E. M. Gupton.
Sharpsburg—Leonidas Winstead, A. J. Batchelor.
Tarboro—J. D. Hufham.
Turkey Branch—
Tar River Springs—
Wilson—
Weldon—W. E. Daniel, G. W. Harman.
Warrenton—N. L. Shaw, W. H. Bennett.
Warren Plains—Bailey Overby.
Williamston—Letter.
Washington—W. F. Bailey, J. J. Wood, Duncan McLeod.

Association permanently organized by re-electing W. E. Bowers Moderator, and A. J. Wilcox Clerk and Treasurer. Pastor and Deacon of Church appointed Committee on religious exercises. Brethren VanDeventer, Hufham and Taylor Committee on order of business.

The following resolution offered by Bro. VanDeventer: Resolved, That hereafter in the organization of the Association the Clerk call the roll of Churches, and the delegates respond and turn the letter over to the Finance Committee. Resolution adopted. After usual announcements Association adjourned until to-morrow, 9½ o'clock. Prayer by Bro. Pace.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9½ o'clock.

Association assembled, praise service led by Bro. N. L. Shaw. New Churches called for and Stony Creek made application, their letter with articles of faith turned over to a Committee consisting of brethren W. B. Morton, J. R. Pace, T. J. Taylor, who, after examination, made the following report. Your Committee appointed on new Churches having received satisfactory evidence that Stony Creek Church is in full accord with the Churches of this Association in faith and practice recommend that it be received as a constituent of this body:

Moderator gives right hand of fellowship to delegates.

T. J. Taylor.
J. R. Pace. } *Committee.*
W. B. Morton.

Visiting brethren invited to seats and accepted by Prof. J. B. Brewer of West Chowan Association, President Chowan Female Institute, Prof. F. P. Hobgood, President Oxford Female College; C. C. Newton, returned Missionary from Africa; J. C. Caddell representing Biblical Recorder; C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention; O. L. Stringfield, Principal Wakefield High School, and representing Baptist Female Seminary; J. H. Mills, Baptist Orphanage.

Report on Associational Missions was read by Bro. Hufham who gave a synopsis of the fields occupied by Missionaries and encouraging reports from the fields were made by Brethren Pace, Powell, Ballard, Sledge and Wilcox; after which Brethren J. D. Hufham, R. T. Vann and G. M. Duke made stirring appeals. The roll of churches was called and the amounts below pledged:

Scotland Neck	$200 00	Hickory	10 00
Louisburg	75 00	Reedy Creek	10 00
Warrenton	50 00	Samaria	10 00
Greenville	50 00	Warren Plains	10 00
Bear Swamp	50 00	Cedar Rock	10 00
Brown's	25 00	Conoconary	5 00
Henderson	25 00	Johns' Chapel	5 00
Maple Spring	25 00	Pleasant Grove	5 00
Mt. Zion	25 00	Red Bud	5 00
Rocky Mount	25 00	Rock Spring	5 00
Sharon	25 00	Rehoboth	5 00
Tarboro	25 00	Spring Hope	5 00
Weldon	25 00	Social Plains	5 00
Williamston	25 00	Turkey Branch	5 00
Poplar Spring	20 00	Washington	5 00
Battleboro	15 00	Geo. Harper	5 00
Fishing Creek	15 00	Eagle's	5 00
Hamilton	15 00	Enfield	5 00
Harriss' Chapel	15 00	Oakland	5 00
Dawson's	10 00	J. W. Sledge	5 00
Elm City	10 00	Castalia	5 00
Ephesus	10 00	S. W. Kittrell	5 00
Mildred	10 00	Hobgood	2 50
New Bethel	10 00	Stanhope	2 50
Nashville	10 00	Sulphur Spring	2 50
Pine Forest	10 00	W. T. Clark	2 50
Quankie	10 00		
Middleburg	10 00	Total	965 00

Bro. C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention, made a thrilling talk on State Missions.

Adjourned for dinner; prayer by Bro. McLeod.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Association led in prayer by W. B. Morton. Brethren J. W. Coppedge, E. E. Hilliard and J. W. Allen Committee on Time and Place and Preacher.

We, your Committee on finance, beg leave to report receipts as follows:

For Associational Missions from Churches	$900 35
Individuals	56 50
State Missions	5 00
Home Missions	5 24
Foreign Missions	48 71
Educational	26 80
Colportage	2 92
Orphanage	88 40
Ministers Relief Fund	8 50
Ministers	60 57
	1202 99

By reference to the tabulated report as copied from the Church letters sent up it will be seen that our report shows a shortage of $5.94 from Associational Mis-

sions, which amount was not received by us, and which was an error in some of the letters.

Respectfully Submitted,
L. M. CONYERS.
M. T. DUKE.

Treasurer of Executive Committee offered his report which was referred to Bro. N. L. Shaw to audit. "I have examined Statement of accounts rendered by Bro. N. Biggs Treasurer, Executive Committee and find the same correct.
N. L. SHAW, *Auditor.*"

THE TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

1893.

Oct. 1.	To Cash paid Rev. J. W. Powell for Edgecombe County.	$300 00
"	paid Rev. J. W. Sledge for his field.	40 00
"	J. R. Pace for Edgecombe County	250 00
"	G. D. Dowell for Martin County	150 00
"	Q. C. Davis for his field	50 00
"	A. G. Wilcox for his field	40 00
"	W. S. Ballard	200 00
"	Rev. M. Cooper, Rocky Mount	75 00
"	J. H. Lamberth, Pitt County	33 33
"	B. W. Spillman	33 33
Total		1171 66

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1892.	By amount on hand last Association	$242 64
	By amount from Clerk of Association	894 57
	By Greenville	35 00
	By Pactolas	10 00
	By Rocky Mount	25 19
	By Cash from A G. Wilcox	7 00
	By Cash from B. B. Collins	1 00
	By Cash from Enterprise	1 80
	By Cash from Rehoboth	7 75
	Total	$1224 95
Oct. 5.	By Balance due Association this day	53 29

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We believe the spirit of christianity is the spirit of missions. We declare our belief in missions when we defend the faith once delivered to the Saints. The parting words of our Lord were "Go ye therefore and teach all nations."

The model prayer the Lord gave us teaches the gospel of missions. Our services of praise lift our thoughts to the time when all creatures here below shall praise him too.

PAPAL FIELDS.

In Italy, Brazil and Mexico there are 49 foreign missions, and 25 native assistants at work. There are 1814 church members. They gave last year $3,403. 70. It is a most hopeful sign that the children of Rome, as they come into light are being trained to honor God with their substance.

PAGAN FIELDS.

We have in Pagan Lands 51 foreign missionaries and 26 native assistants

There are 1109 church members. They contributed last year $1,939.69. Let us note the fact that the converted heathen give more than $1.00 per member to the Lord's work.

The Centennial.

The latest report shows $50,000 contributed to Foreign Missions, as one of the results of the Centennial, $52,980.36 to Home Missions, making a total of $102,980.36. But for this special effort, so far as can be seen, the Foreign Mission Board would have been unable to meet the dratts of the Missionaries.

Woman's Work.

It is auxilliary to the S. B. Convention. The women gave last year to Foreign Missions $36,052.78. Since their organization in 1888 they have given $228, 654.50. The Foreign Mission Board ask the Women to make a Christmas offering for Japan and to undertake the support of the Woman's Missionaries in the Foreign field. We recommend that our Sunday-schools have a Missionary department, and that one Sunday in each month be given to the study of Missions. 2nd, That the pastors encourage and help the Sisters to organize Womans' Missionary Societies in their churches. 3rd. That the pastors use their influence to get their churches to make regular contributions to the work, and not wait till the close of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. VANDEVENTER.

Hour for Special order having arrived, Report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. VanDeventer. Bro. C. C. Newton, Missionary to Africa, made an exceedingly interesting address, after which the report was adopted.

Report on Orphanage called for, in absence of report Bro. J. H. Mills made a tender, touching address followed by Brethren Hilliard, Vann, and Taylor, after which the amounts in cash and pledges and shoes was taken.

Henderson	$50 00	W. A. Bennett pd	1 00
R. T. Vann	5 00	A friend	50
Cedar Rock	5 00	A. J. Williams pd	1 00
G. M. Duke	5 00	Red Bud	5 00
Poplar Spring	5 00	W. T. Clark	5 00
Maple Springs S. S.	5 00	Greenville	5 00
Spring Hope	5 00	Philadelphia	5 00
Maple Springs	5 00	Pleasant Grove	2 50
Mrs. J. J. Allen pd	1 00	Rocky Mount	5 00
B. F. Wilder pd	1 00	Cash	5 00
W. H. Carter pd	1 00		
J. C. Beal pd	1 00		$127 00
Tom Jones pd	1 00		

The following brethren gave shoes:

N. Biggs	25 pairs.	Miss M. B. Pitt	2 pairs.
Warrenton ch.	25 "	D. J. Whichard	2 "
Tarboro	20 "	J. W. Cooke	2 "
Rev. D. McLeod	5 "	J. A. Coppedge	2 "
W. E. Bowers	5 "	J. E. Tunstall	2 "
J. W. Powell	5 "	J. E. Beal	2 "
Brown's	5 "	Chas. Hedgepeth	2 "
Eagle's	5 "	Cooper Nelms	2 "
A. C. Griffin	3 "	A. H. Hicks	1 "
J. W. Allen	3 "		"
B. F. Ellis	2 "		120 "

Adjourned.

SATURDAY, 9 O'CLOCK.

Association assembled and praise service led by T. J. Taylor. The following

brethren were appointed Executive Committee for the ensuing year: N. Biggs, W. E. Daniel. C. M. Cooke, L. M. Conyers. Committee appointed to nominate delegates to Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention: T. J. Taylor, E. E. Hilliard, W. S. Ballard, who reported as follows: J. D. Hufham, R. T. Vann, J. G. Daniel, W. B. Morton, W. S. Ballard, N. Biggs, J. W. Powell, G. W. Harman, J. R. Pace, E. E Hilliard, W. E. Daniel. R. M. Johnston, J. H. Lamberth, A. G. Wilcox, W. E. Bowers, G. M. Duke, J. W. Allen, L. W. Bagley, J. A. Carter, Ivey Allen, T. J. Taylor, R. D. Fleming, N. L. Shaw, J. H. Nicholson, J. M. Gardner, J. R. Rodwell, W. A. Bennett, J. H. Barrough, J. W. Smithwick, J. A.Tunstall, R. VanDeventer, T. M. Pittman, W. B. Shaw, C. M. Cooke, E. W. Timberlake, D. McLeod, J. A. Whitley, J. A. Bridgers, G. Coppedge, R. Driver, C. W. Newell, A. A. Pippin, L. C. Perkinson, George Blount, Geo. Parker. Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention: G. M. Duke: Alternate, R. T. Vann,.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. BALLARD.
J. A. CARTER. } *Com.*
T. J. TAYLOR.

Committee on Time and Place and Preacher report as follows: Scotland Neck the place, time Thursday before 2nd Sunday in October; 1894. To preach Introductory Sermon, W. B. Morton, Alternate, D. McLeod; Missionary Sermon, R. VanDeventer. By a resolution passed the denominational sermon was disposed with at this session.

Report on periodicals was called for and in absence of report, Bro. J. C. Caddell made an excedingly interesting Speech.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We should remember that education is a destroyer of superstition, poverty, and crime. This being true, we ought to do everything in our power to widen and increase its interest.

Our Lord commanded his disciples to "preach the gospel to every creature," so this necessitates ministerial education. Then we would, therefore, commend our young men who are looking to the consecration of themselves to the work of the ministry, to avail themselves of all the means in their power to prepare themselves so that they may be useful and do honor to the cause which they represent. We would urge upon the churches the duty of liberal contributions towards the support of of the young men who need their beneficence, and whom we trust God has called to proclaim his truth.

Your committee is glad to report a growing interest among our people in the work of general education. This is shown in part in the growth and present condition of our Academy schools. The female schools are growing and doing better work each year. Some steps have been taken to establish a Female University. We would recommend that something ought to be done to have an endowment, such as will enable us to provide for the higher education of ladies. And we believe nothing should be neglected that will insure the speedy equipment of such an institution. Wake Forest has each year gone ahead of the preceding year in attendance, and its facilities are also increasing with its age.

It is a question whether we have been giving the needed attention to the education of the masses of our peope, that the important question demands. We should endeavor to awaken in our people a desire for higher education and strive to show them the way to obtain it. Much as we realize the need of educated men in the ministry, even greater is the general need of educated men and women. So I would impress that more general education among the masses of the people is the great need of the day, and all can help in this grand work.

Respectfully submitted,
A. A. PIPPIN.

Report on education was read by Bro. A. A. Pippin, and report was followed

by highly interesting speeches made by brethren E. E. Hilliard, Stringfield, Pippin, Smith, Duke, and Morton, and adopted. Bro. Duke presented claims of Bro. Geo. May, and received in cash and pledges for him as follows:

J. D. Hufham	$1 00	T. G. Deans	1 00
W. E. Bowers	1 00	Wm. Cooper	40
N. Biggs	1 00	C. F. Ellen	1 00
S. N. Edwards	50	W. T. Clark	1 00
N. L. Shaw	50	J. R Pace	1 00
J. W. Powell	50	Hat	2 83

Adjourned for dinner; prayer by Bro. Pippin.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Association led in prayer by Bro. Yann.

HOME MISSIONS.

The work of the Home Mission Board in part is to send the gospel to sections of the Southern States and territories where the gospel is not now preached and where the State organization is not able to supply it.

The Board is located in Atlanta and keeps about four hundred Missionaries in the fields; of this number 17 have been laboring in Winston, N. C., and the rest are distributed through all the Southern States except Virginia and through the Indian Territory. In addition to this home work the Board has a Mission in Cuba under the direction of Rev. A. J. Diaz. Bro. Diaz seems to have been raised up by the hand of God to be the Apostle to Cuba, and under his ministry marvels of grace have been wrought which was like the story of Apostolic times.

We would urge upon our pastors and brethren the importance of informing themselves upon the great work that lies upon this Board, and recommend that each church take at least one collection a year for Home Missions.

R. T. VANN.

Report on Home Missions read by Bro. Hufham, and Bro. Vann presented the claims of the Board; after which report adopted. Resolution by Bro. Vann passed: That the collection to-morrow be given to Gethsemane. N. Biggs paid $5.00 for said church. Resolution by Bro. Strickland passed. Resolved, That the Pastors be requested to give two weeks each year to the destitution in our Association to preach under the direction of the Executive Committee and the churches be requested to excuse their pastors for this service.

Report on Sunday-schools called for and in absence of report; Bro. N. L. Shaw made a stirring speech on the subject.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS RELIEF.

To the Tar River Baptist Association:

We are not informed as to the amount of contributions to this fund since your last meeting, but from statements made in The Recorder from time to time they have been entirely inadequate to meet the wants of the aged Ministers.

It seems difficult to get people to realize the fact that there are many of our old worn out ministers who are in sore need of help. If they realize this we are sure they would help so gracious an enterprise.

We would suggest that the representatives in your body from each church be requested to bring the matter before their churches, take collections, monthly or quarterly, and send to the Treasurer of the Convention at Raleigh.

J. S. BARROW.

Report on aged Ministers was read by Bro. Shaw for Chairman. The report as amended was adopted.

Resolution of thanks by Bro. Shaw. Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and heartily tendered to the people of this church and vicinity for the hospitable manner in which they have entertained this Association, and to the

Railroad for courtesies extended. Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,

In account with A. G. WILCOX, *Treasurer.*

Oct. 1892. RECEIPTS.

Received from Finance Committee—	
For State Missions	$ 8 95
Home Missions	25 99
Foreign Missions	158 17
Aged Ministers	2 86
Orphanage	137 58
Education	22 00
Colportage	32 74
Sunday-schools	3 83
Minutes	66 61
Cash collected from Individuals, Associational Missions	7 00
For J. R. Pace, Gethsemane	5 20
Education	28 98
B. B. Collins, Associational Missions	1 00
Orphanage	9 54
Aged Ministers	21 76
From W. A. Montgomery for aged Ministers	10 00
From Rehoboth for Associational Missions	7 75
Orphanage	2 40
Minutes	70
Total	$551 06

Oct. 8, 1892. DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount paid J. D. Boushall—	
For State Missions	$ 8 95
Foreign Missions	158 17
Home Missions	25 99
Education	22 00
Colportage	32 74
Sunday-schools	3 83
C. A. Woodson aged Ministers (Cash coll.)	31 76
From Finance Committee	137 58
From Treasurer's Committee	2 36
J. H. Mills for Orphanage (Cash coll.)	7 54
J. R. Pace for Gethsemane	5 20
N. Biggs for Associational Missions, Individuals and B. B. C.	8 00
W. Q. Gwaltney for Education, Cash collected	28 98
Edwards & Broughton printing Minutes	50 00
Clerk's Fee	25 00
N. Biggs from Rehoboth for Associational Missions	7 75
Orphanage fron Rehoboth	2 40
Mailing Manuscript, Stationery, etc	76
100 blank church letters	1 50
Mailing same	1 00
	$562 01
Balance due Treasurer	$10 95

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

Treasurer of Association offers his report with that of the auditors which was

adopted.

We have examined account of Bro. A. G. Willcox, Treasurer of Tar River Association and, find the same to be correct. N. L. SHAW, *Auditor.*

Oct. 7, 1892.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Since our last Association, death has been in our midst, and many of our brethren have fallen by that cruel leveler of all distinctions. Prominent among them was Bro. R. D. Harper. He was born near Castalia, in Nash Co., May 5th, 1855, and was therefore 38 years old. His parents were Bro. Samuel Harper and sister Temperance his wife. Bro. Harper professed religion at Red Bud church, and was baptised into the fellowship of that church when but sixteen years old, by Rev. G. W. Duke. He was licensed to preach in 1878. He died peacefully on June 26th, 1893, without a struggle or a shadow, and with his mind clear to the last. He talked calmly of his death with full hope in Christ as his Redeemer, as the sinner's Savior. As a Minister of the gospel, he knew how to construct his sermons. His knowledge of the plan of salvation was good; his preaching was plain and to the heart, and he was very much in earnest. He was a good preacher. He never was appreciated as his merits demanded, because of a weak voice. He wanted to do good as much as any one I have ever seen, but was prevented from doing more because he was not supported by his churches, and he had to work to support his family. A good and useful man has passed away in the midst of his days. Bro. Harper organized the churches at Sharpsburg and Free Chapel in a very hard field, and these will remain lasting monuments to his untiring zeal and love for souls. He served as pastor of Elm Grove, Pleasant Grove, Antioch, Turkey Branch and Social Plains.

His last sermons were his best. His last public prayer that I heard indicated a nearness to Christ that we were bound to feel. His wife is one of the best women I have ever known and was a help to him all through their married life. May God bless her and the children in this sad bereavement. His family are left in comparison with others in easy circumstances financially. Bro. Harper married Miss Lillian Wells, in 1880. To them were born eight children, 7 of whom are now living.

Bro. Harper's education was fair, he having had the advantage of home training and neighborhood schools, as well as going to school in Rome, Ga., Wake-Forest, N. C., and the Seminary at Louisville.

Bro. Harper was a Christian gentleman, a good husband and father, an obedient child, true friend, and loyal citizen. He was a good farmer and fine business man. He was buried at his father's, by the grave of his mother, in the presence of a large crowd of sorrowing friends. His funeral was preached at Red Bud church by the writer at his request. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

F. R. Perry was born near Louisburg, Franklin Co., N. C., in 1823 and died at his home near Mapleville, in January, 1893. He married Miss Martha Uzzle. To them were born 7 children all of whom survive him. Bro. Perry was a most excellent man in all the relations of life, serving his own generation faithfully as a citizen, soldier and Christian. Though dead he yet speaks. He came into the church at Maple Springs late in life, yet his attachment to his church, devotion to the cause of Christ, were beautiful to behold. He died in the triumphs of the Christian's hope. Let me die the death of the righteous and let my last end be like his.

During this year this most excellent brother has been called to his heavenly home from Scotland Neck Church, in Halifax Co.

All the graces of the Christian were beautifully blended in this dear brother's life. He was sincerely attached to his church, to his pastor, to the cause of his Savior. His life was beautiful, his death triumphant. Like Enoch, he walked with God, and he is not, for God took him. He leaves behind him a name more

J. G. Shields.

lasting than marble more durable than brass, because the righteous are held in everlasting remembrance.

I would be glad to mention many others but the list is too long for this paper. May the Lord help us who survive to live worthy of our noble dead, and help us to heed the warning of our Savior who says "Be ye also ready for at such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh."

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. DUKE.

Report on Obituaries was read by Bro. Duke and adopted by a rising vote. The clerk was instructed to have usual number of Minutes printed and receive usual compensation for his services. Report of finance Committee was offered and adopted. After prayer by Bro. Hufham and singing "In the Sweet bye and bye," the parting hour was taken and the Association adjourned to meet with the Church at Scotland Neck on Thursday before second Sunday in October, 1894

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

W. E. BOWERS, *Moderator.*

Individual pledges to Associational Missions.

G. W. Coppedge	$ 2 50	J. B. Brewer	5 00
J. R. Coggin	2 00	M. C. Strickland	10 00
A. A. Pippin	2 00	S. W. Kittrell	2 50
J. T. Rogers	2 50	W. M. Boon	5 00
G. W. May	1 00	J. W. Sledge	5 00
James Brewer	5 00	H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
J. W. Coggin	1 00		
Samuel Harper	5 00	Total	$56 50

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensible duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.
4. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.
5. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.
7. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.
8. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.
9. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.
10. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
11. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.
12. An order of business, assigning a definite time to each topic to be brought before the Association, shall be made at the beginning of each session, and this order shall not be departed from in any case without unanimous consent.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptised, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, and died since last Association.

3. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the sufferages of the members present.

5. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the church with the Minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expensea of the same For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sum as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11 The Association shall have power to inquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12. The Aasociation shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations whom they esteem of good, moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14. The Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15. Tho Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

19. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

17. The business of this Association shall be conducted according to Mills' Parliamentary Practice.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	....	....	....	2	....	....	15	31	....	46
Bear Swamp	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville	9	3	5	3	....	1	79	91	8	178
Battleboro	J. T. Taylor, Battleboro	8	....	1	....	1	....	26	38	....	64
Brown's	S. S. Abernathy, Ridgeway	11	6	2	13	...	3	....	....	....	126
Bethel	W. J. Moore, Bethel	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	29
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	....	3	....	1	....	3	8	10	....	18
Conoconary	P. V. Tillery, Tillery	....	....	2	2	....	4	54	89	....	141
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope	1	...	....	....	....	....	17	41	....	58
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	....	3	....	1	1	3	62	80	....	142
Castalia	J. Bartholomew, Castalia	....	1	....	1	....	....	12	13	....	25
Corinth		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Dawson's	J. H. Branch, Dawson's X Roads	9	6	...	1	2		57	67	....	118
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	....	1	....	....	....	....	12	23	....	35
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	5	....	....	3	16	....	24	47	....	71
Elm Grove	J. F. Procter, Nashville	33	....	4	....	....	1	41	88	....	129
Elm City	A. J. Joyner, Elm City	20	1	1	....	2	2	34	46	....	80
Eagle's	B. F. Eagles, Old Sparta	7	6	....	1	....	....	10	20	....	30
*Enterprise		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	59
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ita	....	....	1	....	....	1	30	34	....	64
Gethsemane	H. H. Rasberry, Whitaker's	24	2	....	1	....	....	18	39	....	57
Gardner's	Jas. W. Shearin, Churchill	....	4	....	2	....	...	52	81	....	133
Greenville	L. W. Lawrence, Greenville	....	1	....	3	3	1	39	75	....	114
Harriss' Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Essex	2	....	....	....	....	1	26	45	....	71
Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock	....	....	....	....	1	1	22	44	....	66
Hamilton	F. H. Robertson, Hamilton	....	....	....	1	....	2	15	36	....	51
Henderson	S. S. Parham, Henderson	14	5	....	7	1	1	93	111	....	204
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	4	5	....	....	....	....	10	23	...	33
John's Chapel	Jas. P. Underwood, Eatman	....	1	....	....	.	1	19	38	....	57
Louisburg	E. W. Timberlake, Louisburg	10	8	....	2	2	2	67	89	...	156
Littleteton	Ivey Allen, Littleton	13	2	....	6	....	1	31	57	....	88
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	40

STATISTICAL TABLE.—CONTINUED

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Colored.	Total.
Maple Springs	A. W. Jackson, Mapleville	....	13	2	1	....	2	53	88	....	141
Mildred	W. A. Thigpen, Mildred	4	1	....	3	1	....	21	30	....	51
Mount Zion	W. F. Leonard, Laurel	11	....	....	....	....	3	54	105	....	159
Mount Hebron	G. T. Gupton, Centerville	4	....	....	....	....	1	31	78	....	109
*Macon	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	11
Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	....	....	....	....	....	....	12	25	....	37
New Bethel	D. H. Dickie, Epsom	27	2	....	1	1	....	70	126	.. .	96
New Hope	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	63
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville	4	....	....	....	.. .	....	12	17	....	29
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Duke's	2	....	....	4	2	1	77	106	....	183
Pleasant Grove	W. G. W. Stone, Oakland	28	6	....	1	1	....	54	91	....	145
Peach Tree	J. H. Edwards, Hunt's	4	1	....	2	....	5	56	94	....	150
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	12	20	4	7	4	3	99	183	....	282
Pactolas	J. B. Little, Pactolas	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	39
Pine Forest	D. L. Beach, Everett's	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	46
Quankie	J. J. Cullom, Weldon	2	....	1	....	22	1	31	52	....	83
Red Bud	Sam. Harper, Castalia	....	....	....	....	8	4	89	127	....	216
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek	8	....	2	1	....	1	68	121	....	189
Rehoboth	J. C. Beal, Red Oak	....	....	1	19	....	....	28	33	....	61
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	10	....	....	3	3	2	37	68	....	105
Rocky Mount	G. L. W. Pegram, Rocky Mount	....	11	1	9	....	2	41	77	....	118
Stanhope	E. J. Dillard, Stanhope	5	....	....	....	....	....	10	13	....	23
Stony Creek	T. E. Coley, Rocky Mount	9	....	....	....	....	....	20	16	....	36
Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg	4	1	....	....	....	....	7	9	....	16
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	14	5	....	4	1	7	106	156	....	262
Social Plains	J. S. Haywood, Union Hope	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	54
Sandy Creek	D. E. Aycock, Oswego	16	....	2	....	....	3	103	119	....	222
Spring Hope	S. M. Wheless, Spring Hope	6	9	....	3	1	3	15	22	....	37
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Wise	9	1	....	1	....	3	48	66	....	114
Sulphur Springs	J. L. Rodgers, Brodie	1	2	....	6	3	1	28	28	....	56
Samaria	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope	15	1	2	3	5	1	55	167	....	222

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Missions	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Orphanage.	Sunday Schools.	Aged Ministers.	Ministers.	Total.
Antioch	50 00					5 00									$ 50	55 50
Bear Swamp	150 00				34 00	35 00			20 50			26 53			30	266 53
Battleboro	46 00	60 00				15 00									1 00	122 00
Brown's	150 00		38 00			20 25		3 45	5 63			25 00			1 50	238 83
Bethel		3 06				5 00							3 90		20	12 16
Crocker's Chapel						5 00									50	5 50
Conoconary	100 00		5 00			5 00										11 00
Cypress Chapel															40	1 40
Cedar Rock	125 00	5 00		10 00		5 00						1 00			I 00	149 00
Castalia				75 00								3 00			75	79 89
Corinth												4 11				
Dawson's	100 00	2 00	5 00	10 00		10 00		1 00	1 43			5 00			52	134 95
Enfield	100 00	17 33				5 00									50	122 83
Ephesus	75 00					10 00			1 40			7 05			1 25	94 70
Elm Grove	50 00			25 00											1 00	76 00
Elm City	75 00					10 00									1 00	186 00
Eagle's	100 00	5 00	11 50	200 00		5 00									25	316 75
Enterprise																
Fishing Creek	75 00				10 50	15 00			1 75	2 00		5 00			65	109 90
Gethsemane	20 00					11 01			1 00		5 51	5 58	2 51		1 00	46 61
Gardner's	150 00	30 79	8 43		6 00	14 53	6 45		12 45	42		11 00		1 06	1 00	242 10
Greenville	525 00	150 00	2 89		50 00	50 00	23 00	6 25	15 00			36 25		2 00	1 25	861 00
Harriss' Chapel	75 00		6 50		5 00	15 00		4 00	8 00	1 00		10 00		3 00	1 81	129 31
Hickory	75 00				1 35	10 00			1 73			3 53			1 00	92 61
Hamilton	250 00	30 00				10 26										
Henderson	1,100 00	223 84		7 10	77 73		55 00	23 08	63 86	32 40		67 06			1 50	1651 57
Hobgood	25 00	5 00					2 43								70	33 10
John's Chapel	30 00					5 00									75	35 75
Louisburg	900 00	100 00		85 00		135 00			35 00	10 00		70 50		12 00	1 50	1149 00
Littleteton	175 00	35 00	18 00	300 00	116 00	11 96	10 00	4 78	34 48	10 00					1 10	419 22
Middleburg	100 00					10 00		2 24	3 31	1 00		19 00			50	136 05
Maple Springs	150 00			30 00					4 37						2 00	I86 37
Mildred	125 00	10 00	15 00	25 00		20 00						5 00			50	200 50
Mount Zion	150 00															

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		404	159	35	143	91	78	2335	3768	8		6621

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Mount Hebron	75 00														75	75 75
Macon																
Nashville	100 00	7 50				11 85			5 00			7 00	23 00		1 00	155 35
New Bethel	100 00	5 75	4 20	1 00	14 50	10 00			15 70						1 50	152 15
New Hope																
Oak Level	30 00			200 00		1 00						1 00		1 00	50	233 50
Philadelphia				100 00		10 00			9 95			6 00			1 50	127 45
Pleasant Grove						5 00						2 44			1 50	8 94
Peach Tree												5 00			1 35	6 35
Poplar Spring	150 00	5 50				20 00	2 01	11 27	7 21			9 67			2 50	208 16
Pactolas																
Pine Forest																
Quankie	100 00				5 00	5 00		1 00	2 24	50	50	1 00		50	60	116 34
Red Bud		11 50		9 00	1 50	8 00			1 50			6 75			1 50	39 75
Reedy Creek	100 00				13 61	6 49			12 75	5 00		36 00	8 00		1 50	178 40
Rehoboth	50 00					5 00									54	55 54
Rock Spring	100 00					2 20			20 00						1 50	123 70
Rocky Mount	750 00	70 00			24 50				15 00			46 00			1 00	906 50
Stanhope	35 00					1 60									1 00	37 60
Stony Creek															50	50
Sharpsburg															50	50
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Sandy Creek						8 35						1 72			1 50	11 57
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Antioch	$...	$ 5 00	$....	$....	$....	$....	$ 50
Bethel	....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Battleboro	....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Brown's	....	20 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Bear Swamp	9 35	35 00	.....	....	10 22	.....	30
Conoconary		5 00	.....	.....		.....	
Cypress Chapel	....	.....	.....	....	1 00	.....	40
Cedar Rock	....	7 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	1 00
Castalia	....	.....	.....	.....	4 11	.....	75
Crocker's Chapel	....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Dawson's	....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	52
Eagle's	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	....	25
Elm Grove	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Elm City	....	10 00	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Ephesus	1 40	10 00	.....	.....	7 05	.....	1 25
Enfield	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Fishing Creek	....	15 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	65
Gardner's	....	14 55	30	42	.....	.....	1 00
Gethsemane	....	11 01	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Greenville	....	50 00	....	.....	12 51	2 00	1 25
Hobgood	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	70
Henderson	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Hamilton	....	10 26	....	.....	.....	.....	
Harriss' Chapel	1 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	10 00	3 00	1 81
Hickory	....	10 00	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
John's Chapel	....	2 00	....	.....	.....	.....	75
Littleton	....	5 98	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 10
Louisburg	....	135 00	10 00	.....	20 50	.....	1 50
Maple Springs	2 25	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Mount Hebron	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	75
Mount Zion	....	25 00	....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Mildred	....	20 00	....	.....	.....	.....	50
Middleburg	13 31	10 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	50
New Hope	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
New Bethel	15 70	10 00	....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Nashville	....	11 85	....	.....	2 00	.....	1 00
Oak Level		1 00	....	.....	1 00	1 00	50
Philadelphia	4 95	10 00	....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Poplar Spring	....	20 00	....	.....	.....	.....	2 50
Peach Tree	....	.....	....	.....	5 00	.....	1 35
Pleasant Grove	....	5 00	....	.....	2 44	.....	1 50
Pine Forest	....	6 25	....	.....	.....	.....	75
Quankie	....	5 00	50	50	1 00	50	60
Red Bud	1 50	8 00	.....	.....	1 75	.....	1 50
Rock Spring	....	2 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Reedy Creek	....	6 49	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Rocky Mount	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Rehoboth	.....	5 00	....	.....	.....	.....	54
Stanhope		1 60	....	.....	.....	.....	40
Samaria	....	1 00	....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Sulphur Springs	....	.....	....	.....	2 00	.....	60
Sharon	....	25 00	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00

FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE.-CON.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Orphanage.	Aged. Ministers.	Minute Fund.
Spring Hope	.....	7 50	....	1 00	.....	.....	60
Scotland Neck	....	200 00	...	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Sandy Creek	....	8 35	....	.....	1 72	.....	1 50
Sharpsburg	....	....	....	.....		.....	50
*Stony Creek	....	5 00	2 00	.....	2 10	2 00	50
Turkey Branch	9 25	5 50	5 50	.....	... ..	.....	75
Weldon	....	25 00		.....	.....	.....	1 00
Warrenton	....	50 00	....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Williamston	....	11 50	....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Washington	....	5 00	....	.....	.....	....	75
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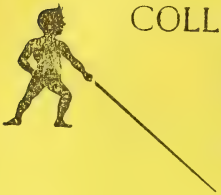

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Pippin, A. A	Spring Hope.
Perkinson, Levi	Warren Plains.
Powell, J. W	Mildred.
Smith, W. A	Cedar Rock.
Spillman, B. W	Weldon.
Sledge, J. W	Cedar Rock.
Savage, W. V	Tarboro.
Taylor, T. J	Warrenton.
Vann, R. T	Scotland Neck.
VanDeventer, R	Henderson.
Willcox, A. G	Brinkleyville.

LICENTIATES.

Hocutt, J. E	Stanhope.
Colbert, J. W	Oswego.

PROCEEDINGS.

SCOTLAND NECK, October 11th, 1894.

The Tar River Association met with the church here to-day in its sixty-fourth annual session. By a motion made and carried, the introductory sermon was postponed until 7:30 P. M. The roll of churches was called and delegates enrolled.

Antioch—J. H. Parker, J. R. Parker, R. B. Taylor.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, Bat Bowers, N. Chichester.
Battleboro—By letter.
Brown's—J. W. Smithwick.
Bethel—By letter,
Crocker's Chapel—By letter.
Conoconary—J. R. Weeks, W. W. Pope, R. H. Pitman.
Cypress Chapel—By letter.
Cedar Rock—W. T. Dean, J. A. Coppedge.
Castalia—Gideon Coggin.
Corinth—W. H. Bledsoe, R. W. Hudson.
Dawson's—P. Keal, Balfour Dunn.
Enfield—S. S. Alsop, F. J. Dennis.
Ephesus—H. M. Warren.
Elm Grove—By letter.
Elm City—By letter.
Eagles'—B. F. Eagles.
Enterprise—By letter.
Fishing Creek—W. W. Rosser, Walter Rosser.
Gethsemane—O. L. Pitman.
Gardner's—
Greenville—D. J. Whichard.
Harris Chapel—A. G. Willcox.
Hickory—D. C. Thrower, T. E. Powell, Sam Edwards.
Hamilton—J. H. Sherrod, T. F. Pippin.
Henderson—W. W. Parker, R. VanDeventer.
Hobgood—Cam Weeks.
Johns' Chapel—By letter.
Louisburg—T. B. Wilder, E. W. Timberlake.
Littleton—Jesse Carter, L. W. Bagley, J. E. Renn.
Middleburg—By letter.
Maple Springs—C. M. Bartholomew.
Mildred—D. Cobb, E. C. Knight, T. J. Cross.
Mt. Zion—G. W. May.
Mt. Hebron—Robert Denton, Gardner Shearin, A. Hicks.
Macon—John Nicholson.
Nashville—L. M. Conyers, Julius Clark, Rev. W. C. Nowell.
New Hope—R. H. White.
New Bethel—By letter.
Oak Level—T. A. Bone.
Philadelphia—By letter.
Pleasant Grove—W. A. Hinton, V. B. Matthews, G. T. Barnes.
Peach Tree—H. A. Hines.
Poplar Springs—W. H. Carter, C. T. Chean.
Pactolus—Letter, J. H. Lambert.
Pine Forest—Letter.
Quankie—J. Less.

Red Bud—
Reedy Creek—T. M. Allen.
Rehoboth—J. C. Beal.
Rock Spring—B. F. Wilder.
Rocky Mount—H. J. Hester, Geo. L. Parker, A. J. Williams.
Stanhope—J. E. Hocut.
Stony Creek—J. J. Coley, W. Harper.
Sharpsburg—By letter.
Scotland Neck—W. Biggs, J. P. Futrell, E. E. Hilliard.
Sandy Creek—By letter.
Spring Hope—By letter.
Sharon—By letter.
Sulphur Springs—By letter.
Samaria—Rev. W. C. Nowell.
Social Plains—By letter.
Turkey Branch—J. T. Sexton, Sam Taylor.
Tarboro—W. V. Savage.
Washington—Rev. D. McLeod.
Williamston—W. G. Speight, Rev. E. J. Edwards.
Weldon—By letter.
Warrenton—N. L. Shaw, J. R. Rodwell.
Warren Plains—J. K. Fant.
Wilson—A. U. Daniel, Geo. W. Blount, Rev. J. A. Mundy.

The Association went into permanent organization. The names of brethren Bowers and Shaw were nominated for Moderator. Balloting resulted in election of N. L. Shaw.

Remaining officers elected by acclamation.

A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer, and N. Biggs, Treasurer of Executive Committee.

Committee on Order of Business appointed as follows: R. VanDeventer, W. E. Bowers and J. R. Pace.

Visiting brethren invited to seats, and accepted by brethren A. L. Stough, R. D. Carroll, of Atlantic Association; Prof. J. B. Brewer, of Chowan Female Institute, West Chowan Association.

New churches called for, and Tillery made application, and brethren J. K. Howell, J. K. Fant and T. B. Wilder a committee to examine covenant articles of faith, etc., and report.

The Methodist brethren tendered use of their house of worship, which was accepted with thanks.

Bro. Vann extended a cordial welcome to delegates and visitors, which was replied to by Bro. S. S. Alsop

Pastors and deacons of church appointed Committee on Religious Exercises.

Adjourned for dinner.

THURSDAY, 2 o'clock.

Association met, and was led in prayer by Bro. W. S. Ballard.

Hour for special order having arrived, report on Aged Ministers' Relief was read by Bro. N. L. Shaw.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF.

To Tar River Association:

From the report taken from the financial tables of our last Associational year's minutes, there was only contributed $36.56 by the churches composing this Association to this worthy cause. The amount contributed during this Associational year cannot be ascertained at this early

hour of our meeting, as the Committee on Finance has not completed their report. Judging the future by the past, it is to be feared but little, if any, increase has been made during this year.

Our last Associational year's minutes show the membership of the church to be 6,621, so if we divide the amount contributed with the membership, it is not quite 1-16 of a cent per head. Again, the white Baptists in the State number near 200,000. Yet up to this time there has only been contributed during the conventional year, as reported by our Treasurer, $230.93, which is really an insignificant pittance. Brethren, what can be the trouble? Who is at fault? We do tolerably well for most of the objects of our Board, yet this all-important and sacred object of caring for our worn-out preachers and their widows is sadly overlooked and neglected. It is one of the objects of our Board, is so recognized and heartily recommended, and so where can be the fault?

We believe we know something of the Baptist hosts in the Tar River Association, and believe that out of their poverty they abound in liberality, especially when they understand the object for which they are contributing, and so we take it this mere pittance given is because the brethren are not informed, and we would respectfully urge the pastors and delegates here present to take this great work on their hearts, and strive to swell our contributions along this line to at least double what it has heretofore been. It can be done by a little effort, and the contributors made happy, the churches more prosperous, and our blessed Master honored, from the fact, inasmuch as you did it to these care-worn, retired battle-scarred veterans, you have done it unto Him.

Respectfully submitted.

N. L. SHAW.

The report was followed by speeches from Bros. Shaw, Powell and Taylor, and a collection amounting to $7.72 was taken up. Report was adopted.

Bros. A. W. Early and A. Cree, from West Chowan, were welcomed by the Moderator to seats.

Report on Obituaries was read by Bro. VanDeventer for chairman.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

To me has been assigned the saddest and most delicate work of the Association, that of recording the death and saying a loving word for the loved ones who have joined the church above.

Since we last met we have to mention the death of our dear Bro. L. B. Allen, of Franklin County, N. C., which occurred at his home on the 8th of September, 1894. He had been a member of the church thirty-seven years, at his death he was a member of Louisburg church. Bro. Allen was a good man, persevering in business, honest and upright in life, gentle and kind in his home, and faithful in his church relations. Such men are sadly missed when they die. He died as he had lived, a triumphant Christian. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn their loss. "Let me die the death of the righteous; let my last end be like his."

Also, the death of Bro. B. D. Gray, of Scotland Neck. He was born near Scotland Neck, and lived his life in that community, uniting with Scotland Neck church in early life and lived a consistent Christian all the while—above the average—a pillar in his church, his pastor's comfort and joy, a trusty friend, a good husband and father, kind neighbor and a good citizen. A good man has gone in the midst of his days. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

We have also to report the names of many of our godly Christian women. Sisters Gillian, Murray and Strange, of Maple Springs; Sister Harmon, of Weldon; M. J. Smith and Lucy Hicks, of Henderson; Mattie

Timberlake, of Louisburg; Ella Vincent and Nancy Matthews, of Bear Swamp; Emily Martin, of Williamston; Catherine Allen, of Weldon; Bro. Walter Phillips, of Enfield; Sisters Mollie Harper and M. T. Perkins, of Antioch, and Nannie E. Cheek, of Philadelphia church. These all died in faith.

May the Lord help us who remain to so live that we may meet them in joy on the other side, where there are no farewells, weepings or death, but endless life with Him who is the resurrection and the life, "when we shall be like Him for we shall see Him as He is."

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. DUKE,
Committee.

After feeling remarks by Bros. Vann and Fant the report was adopted.

Report by Missionaries. Bros. Pace, McLeod, J. W. Powell and Willard spoke of the fields, the means, and the outlook.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Executive Committee for next year: N. Biggs, W. E. Bowers, C. M. Cooke, L. M. Conyers, J. R. Bodwell, E. W. Timberlake and L. W. Bagley.

Committee to select Delegates to Baptist State Convention and Southern Baptist Convention: Rev. J. K. Fant, L. M. Conyers and T. B. Wilder.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next session: B. F. Wilder, L. N. Edwards and Rev. Duncan McLeod.

Association adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Cree.

At night Bro. Morton preached the Introductory Sermon. Texts, Joshua xiii:1, Numbers xiii:30, Isaiah liv:2.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9:30 o'clock.

Association assembled and spent half an hour in praise service, led by Bro. J. R. Rodwell.

Proceedings of previous day read, corrected and adopted.

Visiting brethren again invited, and accepted by brothers L. R. Mills, of Wake Forest; O. L. Stringfield, J. M. Powell; C. Durham, Corresponding Secretary Baptist State Convention; Dr. John Mitchell, representing Board of Education, W. V. Savage, pastor church at Tarboro, and J. A. Mundy, pastor church at Wilson, who were welcomed among us.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES.

Your Committee on the Application of New Churches to unite with this Association, having examined the facts connected with Tillery church, and found it in the same faith and practice of the churches composing this body, recommend its reception.

J. K. FANT,
J. K. HOWELL,
THOS. B. WILDER,
Committee.

Moderator gave right hand of fellowship to delegates John B. Tillery, J. B. Spier and B. F. Tillery.

Committee to nominate delegates to Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention, report as follows: Southern Baptist Convention—Dr. J. A. Mundy, N. Biggs, R. VanDeventer, T. J. Taylor and R. T. Vann; Baptist State Convention—J. W. Powell, G. M. Duke, W. B. Morton, W. C. Nowell, T. J. Taylor, T. B. Wilder, W. E. Daniel, G. W. Harmon, J. R. Pace, E. E. Hillard, R. A. P. Cooley, T. M. Pitman, J. H.

Lamberth, A. G. Willcox, R. D. Fleming, N. L. Shaw, J. R. Rodwell, J. S. Barrow, J. H. Smithwick, W. S. Ferrell, R. VanDeventer, W. B. Shaw, C. M. Cooke, D. McLeod, J. K. Fant, L. M. Conyers, J. A. Coppedge, L. C. Perkinson, G. W. Blount.

Hour for special order having arrived, report of Associational Missions was read by Bro. Savage for committee.

Reports from fields occupied by brothers Ballard, Pace, Sledge, Lamberth, Fant.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the present year nine missionaries have labored under the direction of your executive committee.

Elder J. H. Lamberth has been laboring in Pitt County. No report has been received from him. He received the sum of $100 for his field.

Elder W. S. Ballard has preached at Tillery's, Spring Hill, Mullen's X Roads and Hobgood's, for which he has received $200. At Tillery's a neat house of worship has been completed and paid for, seven have been baptized, and the church has become self-supporting, having just been organized last April. At Spring Hill five have been converted. Two have been baptized into the church at Hobgood's. A good meeting was held at Mullen's, where two were received into our fellowship. Twenty-five persons in all have been baptized on this field.

Elder J. R. Pace has been preaching at Whitaker's, Gethsemane, Lane's school-house and Parker's school-house. Two meetings have been held so far, as a result of which six persons were baptized. He hopes to hold other meetings this fall, and considers the outlook very encouraging. He receives from the committee for his field $200.

Elder D. McLeod has worked in Washington and vicinity, and also at Pantego. He has held two meetings during the year, but baptized none. A new church at Washington is a pressing necessity, and Bro. McLeod is moving hopefully in the building enterprise. His field requires from the committee an expenditure of $62.50.

Elder A. J. Wilcox has labored at Harrison's Shop, in Halifax County, with encouraging results. He baptized twenty persons. A large church is in course of erection there, and he hopes soon to organize a self-sustaining church. He has received $25 from this committee. Bro. Willcox also labors at Essex and Dr. Williams' school-house.

Elder J. K. Fant has labored at Enfield and Macon. Reports glorious meetings at Enfield in the spring. The weekly prayer-meeting and Ladies' Aid Society doing well, and baptizings are frequent. The house of worship is being improved. At Macon the attendance on service is good, and several persons have professed faith. House of worship in course of erection. Hope to be able to occupy it by cold weather. Bro. Fant has received $156 from the committee.

Elder J. W. Powell has labored at several points in Edgecombe County, for which he has received from this committee $250. No particulars from this field.

Elder T. A. Floyd receives $25 from committee for labors at Sharpsburg, in Nash County. No report has been received from him.

Elder J. W. Sledge has labored at Oak Level, Crocker's Chapel and Stony Creek, in Nash County. At first point he has baptized three; a good house has been built and painted. At Crocker's Chapel lumber and land have been paid for and house is being built, and will hold a meeting here the third Sunday in this month. They are also building at Stony Creek. This field receives from committee $25.

Our work seems to be progressing all along the line. Communities that have heretofore been practically closed against us, now manifest a willingness to hear and receive the truth as held by us. New doors are

opening, and new fields are inviting us. If the churches, trusting in the blessing of God, can see their way to place $2,000 in the hands of the committee, we believe that the next annual report on Associational Missions will make a showing that would be rich with glory to our Redeemer, and full of joy to His people.

Respectfully submitted

J. K FANT, *for Committee.*

At this juncture a letter from Bro. J. D. Hufham to the Asssociation was read.

SHELBY, Tuesday P. M.

To the Tar River Association:

BELOVED BRETHREN: For the first time in seventeen years I cannot greet you in your annual gathering or have part in your deliberations. It is a sore grief to me that I cannot be with you. The best years of my life have been spent within your bounds; the best and hardest work that I have ever performed has been given to the task of enlarging your borders and building up your interests. To have enjoyed the love and shared the co-operation of many now passed into the skies and of the great rest still working and waiting for the crown, makes me feel that I have not lived wholly in vain. Very sweet to me has been your companionship. As I recall some of your annual sessions it is easier for me to believe what the Scriptures tell of the joys and glories of the redeemed in heaven. I had hoped that I might lay down my armor among you, and that my ashes might be laid to rest amid the scenes of my most arduous work and near to those who are dearer to me than life itself. But our God has ordered another lot for me. I shall probably never meet with you again. The blessing of God which maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow therewith, rest upon you and make this session the most memorable one of all your history.

Very glorious hath been your record for nearly twenty years. To recount the work is like taking some chapters out of the Acts of the Apostles. It has no parallel in our denominational history. It has not only changed many parts of your own territory into a "Beulah land," but it has also given a quickening impulse to every department of Baptist work in the State. It has been of the Lord, and so you have been able to carry the work forward in good years and bad years alike.

My heart's desire and prayer to God for you is, that you may undertake even more this year than you have done for several years. To give up the work now, or even to fall back in your efforts, would be sad indeed. I believe that we are on the eve of returning prosperity. The way to secure it and to prepare for it, is to be faithful in the Lord's cause.

Beloved brethren, Elders and Messengers, the time is short; your work will soon be over. What you do must be done quickly. Plan large things for the Lord and it shall be a joy to you, living or dying.

Suffer this word of exhortation from one now far away, who loves you tenderly. You are in his heart to live and to die.

The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you all.

J. D. HUFHAM.

Prayer offered by Bro. Vann. After this, speeches by brothers Duke and Vann were made, and the amounts below pledged for next year.

Scotland Neck	$ 200 00	Fishing Creek	$ 25 00
Louisburg	100 00	Henderson	25 00
Wilson	100 00	Littleton	25 00
Warrenton	70 00	Mt. Zion	25 00
Greenville	60 00	Poplar Spring	25 00
Bear Swamp	25 00	Rocky Mount	25 00
Brown's	25 00	Sharon	25 00

Tarboro	$	25 00	Williamston	$	10 00
Weldon		25 00	Warren Plains		10 00
Battleboro		20 00	Tillery		10 00
Dawson's		15 00	Stony Creek (paid to Finance Committee)		9 20
Elm City		15 00	Bethel		5 00
Gethsemane		15 00	Conoconary		5 00
Harris' Chapel		15 00	Castalia		5 00
Hamilton		15 00	Corinth		5 00
Philadelphia		15 00	Ephesus		5 00
Sandy Creek		15 00	Eagles'		5 00
Cedar Rock		10 00	Hobgood		5 00
Enfield		10 00	Mt. Hebron		5 00
Hickory		10 00	Oak Level		5 00
Mildred		10 00	Peach Tree		5 00
Macon		10 00	Pine Forest		5 00
Nashville		10 00	Rock Spring		5 00
Pactolus		10 00	Stanhope		5 00
Quankie		10 00	Sulphur Spring		5 00
Reedy Creek		10 00	Pantego		3 00
Spring Hope		10 00	New Hope		2 00
Samaria		10 00			
Turkey Branch		10 00			
Washington		10 00	Total		$1,174 20

Bro. Biggs said that he did not believe in building monuments to the dead; he preferred to show his appreciation of them while they were still living, and for that reason he wished to subscribe $50 to a fund to be raised for the purpose of employing a competent man to preach in the destitute sections of this Association, and that this man should be employed in the name of Dr. Hufham, who had labored so long and so faithfully in this district:

N. Biggs	$	50 00	Frank Tillery	$	5 00
G. M. Duke		50 00	A lady (Miss Overstreet)		5 00
James A. Pittman		25 00	A friend		5 00
F. P. Shields		25 00	C. P. Cheaves		2 50
A. G. Willcox (his field)		25 00	J. E. Hancock		2 50
R. T. Vann		10 00	D. C. Thrower		2 50
J. K. Howell		5 00	W. H. Carter		2 50
E. E. Hilliard		5 00	H. A. Nicholson		2 00
G. W. May		5 00	H. A. Hines		1 00
N. L. Shaw		5 00	O. L. Pittman		1 00
John Sledge		5 00	J. A. Coppedge		1 00
A. N. Daniel		5 00	Mrs. Carrie Josie		1 00
James Coley		5 00	Will Dean (paid)		1 00
Joe Sexton		5 00	C. F. Hancock (paid)		1 00
G. W. Blount		5 00	Mrs. J. F. Brinkley		1 00
J. R. Pace		5 00	Mrs. M. V. Perry (paid)		1 00
Charles Bartholomew		5 00	J. B. Tillery (paid)		1 00
L. W. Bagley		5 00			
Rehoboth		5 00	Total	$	291 00
J. C. Beal		5 00			

Report adopted. Adjourned for dinner.

FRIDAY, 2:30 o'clock.

Association met and led in prayer by Bro. Stough.

Treasurer of Executive Committee offered his report, which was referred to Bro. G. W. Blount to audit, who afterwards reported, audited, and found correct.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., October 10, 1894.

Tar River Association to Noah Biggs, Treasurer:

Oct. 1.	To cash pd. Eld. J. K. Fant for services at Enfield and Macon	$	150 00
	To cash pd. Eld. J. W. Powell for Edgecombe County		250 00
	To cash pd. Eld. J. R. Pace for Edgecombe and Nash Counties		200 00
	To cash pd. Eld. J. H. Lamberth for Pitt County		100 00
	To cash pd. Eld. J. W. Sledge on his field		25 00
	To cash pd. Eld. T. A. Floyd for services at Sharpsburg		25 00
	To cash pd. A. G. Willcox on his field		25 00
	To cash pd. Eld. W. S. Ballard for Halifax County		200 00
	To cash pd. Eld. D. McLeod for Beaufort County		62 50
	Total		$1,037 50

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Oct. 15.	By balance due from last Association	$	53 29
	By amount from Association		900 26
Dec. 8.	By cash from Eld. A. G. Willcox		58 52
1894.			
Feb. 1.	By Gardner's Church		5 50
	By balance		19 93
			$1,037 50
	To balance due		19 93

Audited and found correct. NOAH BIGGS.

GEO. W. BLOUNT, *Auditor.*

Motion made by Bro. Vann, and carried, that a Committee to revise Constitution and Rules of Decorum. Committee: R. T. Vann, L. W. Bagley, B. W. Spillman.

Report on Foreign Missions read by Bro. VanDeventer.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

God is the author of missions. Jesus was the first missionary. He was the sent one. The Bible is a great missionary book. Its prophecies, psalms and prayers all breathe the missionary spirit. Loyalty to God's word means activity in mission work. Every period of missionary activity has been accompanied by a revival of the sovereignty of God's word.

The year 1858 marks the most important period in modern missionary work. Then God made it possible for 1,000,000,000 souls to hear the gospel, and gave the churches at home an opportunity to go into all the world and preach the gospel.

At present there are good missionaries on the field and 44,500 native helpers. There are an average of 2,000 conversions every week. We, the Southern Baptists, have ninety-six missionaries and ninety-one native helpers at work.

The Foreign Mission Board is appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention. To each Board shall be committed, during the recess of the Convention, the entire management of all the affairs relating to the objects with whose interest it shall be charged. We ask that the churches of the Tar River Association earnestly consider their duty towards the Foreign Mission work, and give one collection a year, at least, to it.

We recognize the noble work our women are doing, and bid them Godspeed in their efforts. We ask that the pastors encourage and aid the women in organizing Missionary Societies in the churches.

R. VANDEVENTER.

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Received, and followed in a speech by Bro. VanDeventer, and afterwards roll of churches called and amounts pledged for same.

Scotland Neck	$ 80 00	Rocky Mount	$ 5 00
Henderson	75 00	Turkey Branch	5 00
Warrenton	50 00	Eagles'	5 00
Louisburg	10 00	Harris' Chapel	2 50
Greenville	10 00	Hickory	2 50
Littleton	10 00	Sandy Creek	2 50
Wilson	10 00	Spring Hope	2 50
Brown's	5 00	Sulphur Spring	1 00
Cedar Rock	5 00	Washington	2 50
Dawson's	5 00	Mount Hebron	2 00
Enfield	5 00	Nashville	2 00
Elm City	5 00	Mildred	2 00
Maple Spring	5 00	Crocker's Chapel	1 00
Mount Zion	5 00	Halifax	1 00
Macon	5 00		
Philadelphia	5 00	Total	$ 331 50
Poplar Spring	5 00		

Report adopted.

Report on Home Missions was read by Bro. Taylor, and the further consideration postponed until the hour for Special Order.

HOME MISSIONS.

The field is the world, and we are bidden to occupy it for our Lord till He shall come again. In this work Southern Baptists profess to be engaged; and something has been done in this direction, but we have only accomplished a small part of what might have been done if we had put forth efforts in accordance with our ability.

The Home Board is the instrument organized by Southern Baptists for the purpose of occupying thoroughly the destitute territory embraced within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Board cannot do the work we have entrusted to it unless we give it our hearty support.

Within our bounds there are extensive districts in cities, towns and country places that are destitute of the gospel of Christ, whose inhabitants have no means of obtaining a saving knowledge of Christ. In this large territory are thousands and hundreds of thousands of immortal souls who, if we do not send them the gospel, must forever perish. In this large district there are white men and negroes, Indians and Cubans who are looking to us for the word of life; and our God bids us to give it to them.

The value of immortal souls and the love of Christ constrains us to go forward in this work and make an earnest effort to raise, during the ensuing year, five hundred dollars to this important work.

Brethren, the Master speaks. He bids us to enlarge this work—to go up and possess the land, for we are well able.

T. J. TAYLOR.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher reported as follows:

Poplar Spring the place; time, Thursday before second Sunday in October, 1895.

The report was amended by substituting Wilson. A vote was taken, resulting in favor of Wilson. To preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. W. V. Savage; alternate, Rev. J. H. Lamberth.

The report on State Missions was read by Rev. J. K. Howell.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

State missions is a part of the great work the Lord has given us of sending the gospel to the world. I cannot say that it is more important for our State to have the gospel than any other State or other parts of the world, or that the souls of our people are greater than the souls of others, but I can say the work of giving the gospel to our State is peculiarly our own; and the debt now due for mission work already done by ninety-two good and faithful missionaries is also ours. Ten-twelfths of the year is gone and less than two thirds of the amount necessary for the year's work is raised. Let us rise up and do our full duty.

J. K. HOWELL, *Committee.*

The report was discussed by Bro. Durham.

The report was amended by requesting all the pastors to take up a collection before the Convention.

The report as amended was adopted. Adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

The Association was led in prayer by Dr. John Mitchell.

The report on Education was called for and in absence of the report, Bro. O. L. Stringfield discussed female education, and Bro. Durham general education.

SATURDAY, 9:30 o'clock.

Association convened and spent half hour in devotional exercises, led by Bro. McLeod.

The Treasurer of the Association offered his report, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,

In Account with A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

Oct., 1893.

Received from Finance Committee—		
For State Missions	$	5 00
Home Missions		5 24
Foreign Missions		48 71
Education		26 80
Colportage		2 92
Orphanage		36 71
Aged Ministers		8 50
Minutes		60 57
Associational Missions		57 52
Received from M. Batchelor for Associational Missions		1 00
N. Biggs for Gethsemane		5 00
Cash Collection—		
For Gethsemane		13 35
Orphanage		12 70
Rev. G. W. May		7 83
Received from American Bap. Pub. So. for inserting leaflet		5 00
Total	$	296 85

CONTRA.

By amount due Treasurer at last session	$	10 95
By amounts paid J. D. Boushall—		
For State Missions		5 00
Home Missions		5 24

Foreign Missions	48 71
Education	26 80
Colportage	2 92
Aged Ministers	8 50
By amounts paid J. H. Mills—	
For Orphanage	36 71
Cash collection for Orphanage	12 70
By amount paid G. M. Duke for G. W. May	7 83
By amount paid H. H. Rasberry for Gethsemane	13 35
By amount paid H. H. Rasberry for Gethsemane from N. Biggs	5 00
By amount paid N. Biggs for Associational Missions	57 52
By amount paid N. Biggs for Associa'l Missions from M. Batchelor	1 00
By amount paid Prof. Gibson for printing and distributing Minutes	40 00
Clerk's fee	25 00
Stationery, postage, etc	40
One hundred blank church letters and postage on same	1 66
Mailing same	83
Total	$ 310 12
Balance due this day	$13 27

Respectfull submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

The report was referred to Bro. Blount to audit, who afterwards reported as follows:

The undersigned has audited the report of the Treasurer and finds that the same is correct, and recommends that the deficit due to the Treasurer be made up at once and paid; total $13.29. The thanks of the Association are due to the Treasurer for faithful service, but he should not go unrewarded for service, nor allowed to suffer for advances above receipts.

G. W. BLOUNT, *Auditor.*

Finance Committee made their report, which was adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., October 13th, 1894.

BRETHREN—We, your Committee on Finance for this session beg leave to submit the following report. All the churches in the Association heard from except Battleboro, Gardner's, Red Bud and Tarboro:

Received for State Missions	$ 21 85
Home Missions	28 85
Associational Missions	856 99
Foreign Missions	40 45
Education	46 52
Orphanage	85 42
Aged ministers	29 55
Minute fund	67 32
Colportage	2 00
Total amount received	$1,178 95

Three hundred and seventeen dollars and forty-six cents of which has been turned over to Bro. A. G. Willcox, Clerk of the Association, and the balance, $851.99 (being amount of Associational Missions), turned over to Bro. Noah Biggs, Treasurer of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. RODWELL,
T. E. POWELL,
Finance Committee.

Bro. John Mitchell, Corresponding Secretary Board of Education, addressed the Association on Ministerial Education, followed by brethren Mundy, Pace, Savage and Durham, after which the following resolution, by Bro. Fant, was offered and carried:

That each of our churches be requested to take one collection for ministerial education before the close of next session at Wake Forest College.

Report on Home Missions next claimed the attention of the body, and interesting speeches were made by brothers Durham and Mundy. At this juncture Bro. Vincent, representing American Baptist Home Missionary Society, made an interesting address.

Bro. Pace offered a resolution to the effect that the pastors be requested to bring the matter before their churches, and try to raise $500 for next year, which resolution, with report, was adopted.

Adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Durham.

SATURDAY, 2 o'clock.

Association led in prayer by Bro. Pace. Clerk was instructed to have usual number Minutes published and receive usual compensation, and was authorized to secure such advertisements as were suitable.

A motion was made by Bro. Hilliard to reconsider the report on time of next meeting, which passed, and by an almost unanimous vote the time was changed to Wednesday before second Sunday in October, 1895.

Committee to change Constitution and Rules of Decorum submitted the same, and changed ones adopted.

Resolution of thanks offered by Bro. E. W. Timberlake, that the thanks of this body are due and heartily tendered to the members of this church and the citizens of the town for their cordial hospitality, and to the Methodist brethren for use of their house of worship, and to such railroads as gave reduced rates. Passed.

Report on Sunday Schools read by Bro. Bagley, discussed by Bros. Fant and Durham and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

It is to be regretted that so little time and attention is devoted in our Union Meetings, Associations and Conventions to the subject which, very early in life, claims the consideration and shapes the destiny of our children.

To say that the Sunday school is the life of the Church is only stating a truth accepted by us all. Then why not give it the consideration it deserves?

Your committee would recommend that our Union Meetings early in each year bring prominently before the public this important snbject, giving, as far as practicable, the kinds of helps, literature, methods and suggestions that would prove beneficial to the uninitiated.

In order to supply teachers with proper information in reference to their work, occasional meetings similar to the recent Chautauqua should be held within the bounds of the Association.

Your committee would respectfully suggest that all our Sunday schools buy their literature from the Supply Store in Raleigh.

Respectfully submitted, L. W. BAGLEY.

Bro. E. W. Timberlake was elected Vice-Moderator and Bro. R. T. Vann Historian.

Report on Periodicals read by Bro N. L. Shaw as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your Committee on Periodicals, realizing the importance of having our people well informed about our denominational work in its various departments, and the progress being made in our labors for the Master,

heartily recommends the *Biblical Recorder*, *Charity and Children*, the *Wake Forest Student* and the *Foreign Mission Journal*.

Every Baptist in North Carolina desires or should desire all the information that can be had bearing upon the work in our own State, and while uttering not a word in detriment to any other publication, your committee is of the opinion that none so well and so thoroughly covers the field as does the *Recorder*. It should be in the home of every family of our denomination.

Charity and Children keeps us informed about those little ones whom our Father in His wisdom has seen fit to deprive of earthly parents and placed in our charge at the Orphanage. These little ones and the publication in their interest have a claim upon us that we should not be slow to recognize.

The work that Wake Forest is doing to prepare our young men to assume the duties and responsibilities of our pulpits and colleges, when those now occupying them shall have been called to their final reward, is of utmost importance, and the college publication cannot be too highly recommended.

The *Foreign Mission Journal* brings to us reports and information of the progress of our missionaries in foreign fields, and joins our hearts in sympathy with those who, following the Savior's great commission, have gone "into all the world to preach the gospel to every creature."

Your committee also recommends to our Sunday schools such literature as is furnished by our Supply Store at Raleigh.

Respectfully submitted, D. J. WHICHARD.

Addresses were made by Bros. C. Durham, J. R. Pace, J. H. Lamberth, and Willie Dunn. Report adopted.

Adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Lamberth.

NIGHT SESSION.

Association led in prayer by Bro. Duke.

Report on Orphanage was read by Bro. Hilliard, for the committee, as follows:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Of the various and important departments of the work which God has committed to us, none is more important than that which provides a home for God's poor and shelterless little ones. These are the orphans of our land, and these God expects us to care for as through His blessings we may be able. It was for orphans that God thundered a part of His law from Mount Sinai, when he said, "Ye shall not afflict any widow or fatherless child."

"If thou afflict them in anywise and they cry unto Me, I will surely hear their cry; and My wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows and your children fatherless."

One interprets this law to mean this: "Ye shall comfort and assist them, and be ready on all occasions to show them kindness."

Whatever it means, it was a part of the law thundered from Sinai's height, and we have no record that it has been repealed.

And in one of David's cries to God he says: "Thou art the keeper of the fatherless." And again he exclaims: "A father of the fatherless and a judge of the widows is God in His holy habitation."

So God gave special direction as to the care of the fatherless. The "sweet singer of Israel" represented Him as being peculiarly tender toward the fatherless. And more than a thousand years later, after the Savior had finished his earthly mission, the religion that James called pure and undefiled before God and the Father, is "to visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction."

And in the providence of God and in the fullness of time, a few years

ago, He put it into the hearts of the Baptists of North Carolina to observe anew this law thundered to His people of old and to give a new impulse to that part of our religion which is "pure and undefiled."

We have at Thomasville an Orphanage which can accommodate over one hundred of these helpless and homeless orphans, and there are now about 130 there enjoying the blessings of good training, religious instruction and a general preparation for noble and useful men and women.

The work is already a grand one, and the results are far beyond what the most sanguine looked for in this short time; but it has only fairly begun. It is destined, under God, to grow to most magnificent proportions if we will but give it the support which it claims of us. Many have already been sent away with characters formed for grand and noble lives in the field of Christian activities, and many more are asking to be admitted to join the number that is now at the Orphanage, and to enjoy the blessings that we have provided for those that have been taken in.

We cannot afford to neglect those who are already there, and we must plan for larger accommodations, so that God's little ones may be cared for as a blessing to them and for the glory of His name.

The Orphanage appeals to all our higher impulses in sympathy for the hungry and shivering children of our dead brethren and sisters in Christ, as well as of those not of the Kingdom. Let us not disregard the appeal. Let us answer it liberally with a part of that with which God blesses us daily.

E. E. HILLIARD.

Some stirring speeches were made by brethren C. Durham, W. A. Dunn, G. M. Duke and E. E. Hilliard.

After which pledges and cash as below were received for same:

W. A. Dunn (paid)	$ 5 00	Mrs. L. M. Conyers (paid)	$ 5 00
Dr. R. M. Johnson	5 00	J. R. Pace (paid)	1 00
G. M. Duke (paid)	5 00	T. F. Pippin (paid)	1 00
J. P. Futrell (paid)	5 00	S. D. Hancock	1 00
N. Biggs (paid)	5 00	L. W. Bagley	1 00
F. P. Shields (paid)	5 00	A. J. Nicholson (paid)	1 00
J. W. Powell	5 00	E. C. Knight (paid)	1 00
G. L. Parker (paid)	5 00	B. F. Eagles (paid)	1 00
Dr. A. C. Liverman (paid)	5 00	George W. Dunn (paid)	1 00
E. E. Hilliard	5 00	L. M. Pittman	1 00
J. F. Brinkley (paid)	5 00	W. W. Rosser (paid)	1 00
Dr. John Mitchell (paid)	5 00	Thos. Mason Dunn (paid)	1 00
N. L. Shaw (paid)	5 00	Walter Gray (paid)	1 00
E. W. Timberlake	5 00	W. A. Dunn (paid)	1 00
A. McDowell (paid)	5 00	W. E. Bowers (paid)	1 00
W. O. McDowell (paid)	5 00	Mrs. C. W. Dunn (paid	1 00
R. E. Hancock	5 00	Mrs. E. T. Whitehead	1 00
Mrs. Sarah Phillips	5 00	W. E. Biggs (paid)	1 00
Miss Ann Pitman	5 00	Mrs. Annie Hancock	1 00
R. T. Vann	2 50	T. R. Bowers (paid)	1 00
J. H. Sherrod (paid)	2 50		
G. W. Bryan (paid)	2 50	Total	$ 129 00
C. A. Camp (paid)	2 50		

Report adopted.

Adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Willcox.

SUNDAY NIGHT.

After a sermon by Bro. C. Durham the Association was called to order, and words of pleasure at this meeting and encouragement for the future were spoken by Bros. Duke, Mundy, Durham, Vann and Shaw. A hymn was sung and the Association adjourned to meet with the church in Wilson on Wednesday before the second Sunday in October, 1895.

N. L. SHAW, *Moderator.*

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk.*

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it best to be governed by certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted, unless he violate some rule of decorum.
4. The person speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject, and in nowise reflect on any other brother.
5. No brother shall absent himself from the Association without obtaining permission from the body.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without unanimous consent.
7. No person shall whisper while a brother is speaking.
8. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.
9. The Moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but is entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
10. An order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session, and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the churches, who shall produce letters certifying their appointment. Members thus chosen and convened, together with the pastors, shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor shall it infringe on any of their rights.
2. The letters from the churches shall contain the number then in fellowship and of those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded and died since the last Association.
3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.
4. Other churches, upon petition by letter and by delegate, and after a satisfactory examination of their articles of faith, may be admitted to the body by a unanimous vote when the Moderator shall give to their delegates the right hand of fellowship.
5. Every church in this Association is entitled to one representative, but no church is entitled to more than three.
6. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it may be debated or not.
7. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with copies of its Minutes.
8. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.
9. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive sessions, by letter or delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of the churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.
10. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.
11. Visiting brethren from sister churches or similar bodies may be invited to participate in our deliberations.
12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and to the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.
13. This Constitution is subject to alteration by a majority vote of the delegates enrolled at any session.
14. The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Mells' Parliamentary Practice.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Clerks and Post-Office Addresses.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	R. B. Taylor, Veni	2			1		2	12	25		37
Brown's	S. S. Abernathy, Axtell	7	2	1	1	4		56	73		129
Bear Swamp	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville	2			8		2	76	86	8	170
Bethel	M. J. Moore, Bethel	3	1			3		7	22		29
*Battleboro	J. T. Taylor, Battleboro										64
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville							9	11		20
Conoconary	W. W. Pope, Crowell's				14		1	50	80		130
Corinth	A. A. Dement, Ingleside	5	2		7	2	2	47	71		118
Castalia	J. B. Bartholomew, Castalia	1					1	13	11		24
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope			1	2	2		17	36		53
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock		15		3	2		62	72		134
Dawson's	J. H. Branch, Dawson's Cross-Roads	11	7		3		1	54	76		130
Enterprise	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton	12	4			1	1	26	51		77
Elm City	A. J. Joyner, Elm City		11		3	5	2	24	49		73
Eagles'	B. F. Eagles, Crisp	8	1		3			13	23		36
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	6	2	2	1	1	1	26	52		78
Elm Grove	C. H. Baines, Nashville	2	2			7		36	92		128
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	5	5			1	1	13	28		41
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ita	12						36	39		75
Gethsemane	H. H. Rasberry, Whitaker's					1		17	19		36
Greenville	L. W. Laurence, Greenville	6	11	3	11	1	1	47	75		122
*Gardner's	Jas. W. Shearin, Churchill										133
Hamilton	F. H. Roberson, Hamilton					1	1	15	37		52
Henderson	S. S. Parham, Henderson	12	16	2	4	1	2				227
Harriss' Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Essex	7	3		2	1	1	28	49		77
Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock	1	2		1	1		22	44		66
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck		2		1			10	25		35

STATISTICAL TABLE—Continued.

Churches.	Clerks and Post-office Addresses.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Colored.	Total.
Johns' Chapel	J. P. Underwood, Eatman	..	3	1	1	3	2	25	49	..	74
Littleton	Ivey Allen, Littleton	10	13	..	12	3	..	38	58	..	96
Louisburg	Thos. B. Wilder, Louisburg	4	8	..	2	..	2	72	92	..	164
Mount Hebron	G. T. Gupton, Centerville	22	2	2	..	1	1	41	90	..	131
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg	4	2	..	1	..	..	18	26	..	44
Macon	J. H. Nicholson, Macon	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	9	..	15
Mildred	W. A. Thigpen, Conetoe	..	1	..	..	..	..	22	28	..	50
Mount Zion	W. F. Leonard, Laurel	10	3	..	1	..	3	60	111	..	171
Maple Springs	A. W. Jackson, Mapleville	3	2	..	2	1	2	56	86	..	142
New Bethel	D. H. Dickie, Epsom	6	2	..	2	1	2	92	143	..	235
Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	..	6	..	..	1	1	12	24	..	36
New Hope	J. T. Derr, Wilson	10	..	..	2	2	1	35	25	..	60
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville	3	..	..	2	..	..	13	17	..	30
Pleasant Grove	W. G. W. Stone, Oakland	..	1	..	2	1	2	50	84	..	134
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Duke's	10	..	..	9	10	1	73	105	..	178
Peach Tree	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunt's	..	2	..	5	2	1	52	92	..	144
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus	..	..	..	6	2	..	10	18	..	28
Pine Forest	D. C. Beach, Everett's	3	..	1	..	..	1	17	36	..	53
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	5	1	6	8	11	1	94	180	..	274
Quankie	J. J. Cullom, Weldon	5	..	..	2	1	..	37	54	..	91
Rehoboth	J. C. Beal, Red Oaks	..	2	..	5	..	3	21	39	..	60
Rocky Mount	C. E. Timmons, Rocky Mount	4	13	..	2	..	2	45	86	..	131
*Red Bud	R. E. Lancaster, Castalia	17	2	3	8	5	8	92	131	..	223
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Reedy Creek	15	4	2	13	1	1	42	73	..	115
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	1	4	..	1	..	1	39	69	..	108
Spring Hope	Geo. W. Bunn, Spring Hope	..	7	..	3	..	..	15	27	..	42
Samaria	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope	..	2	1	3	7	1	53	148	..	201

Stanhope	O. P. Dickerson, Finch	9	6		2	1		15	20		35
*Sharpsburg	G. W. Robbins, Sharpsburg	1	1					8	11		19
Sandy Creek	D. E. Aycock, Oswego	16	4		3		4	107	126		233
Sharon	F. R. Perkinson, Wise	1	2		3	6		46	64		110
Stony Creek	T. E. Coley, Rocky Mount		3		1			21	17		38
Sulphur Springs	J. L. Rodgers, Brodie	7	2	1	4	4		29	30		59
Social Plains	H. B. Haywood, Union Hope	3					1				14
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	26	8		19	3	2	111	161		272
Tillery	B. F. Tillery, Tillery	7						13	13		26
Turkey Branch	W. J. Hardie, Enfield		6		2			14	24		38
Tarboro	Robt. A. Williams, Tarboro										23
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	2					2	33	37		70
Washington	Thos. J. Latham, Washington	2	5		1	3	1	8	25		33
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	3	4	1	3			59	79		138
Williamston	John H. Mizell, Williamston		4	1		1	1	11	30		41
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	1	1		6	2	1	61	72		138
Wilson	E. T. Barnes, Wilson	1	3		8	5		75	114		189
		313	215	28	209	111	66	2451	3868	8	6795

*Last year's statistics.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND P. O. ADDRESS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	School Expenses.	Orphanage.	Sunday Schools.	Home and Foreign Missions.
Antioch	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	9	23	40		$ 67	$	$	$
Brown's	J. W. Allen, Axtell	6	31						
Bear Swamp	W. E. Bowers, Brinkleyville	7	37						
Bethel	T. R. Bullock, Bethel	6	71		40	12 00			
Corinth	John Falkner, Pugh's	7	67	100	75			11 60	7 60
Castalia	W. C. Coggin, Castalia	4	50		40	9 00			
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	12	90	75	90	20 00	5 00		8 50
Dawson's	Dr. O. C. Stallings, Dawson's X Roads	10	40				2 57		
Enterprise	Henry Bobbitt, Littleton	5	50	63	50	8 00			
Elm City	W. D. Carter, Elm City	10	100		125	30 00	6 60		
Eagles'	B. F. Eagles, Crisp	7	64	25	45	5 00			
Ephesus	H. M. Warren, Spring Hope	7	52	100	39	1 10			
Elm Grove	D. D. Odum, Nashville	10	96		50	2 00			
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	4	43	50	43	30 00			
Fishing Creek	W. O. Rosser, Essex	6	64			4 00	2 36		3 15
Gethsemane	H. H. Rasberry, Whitaker's	6	35	50	30	3 00	1 66		
Greenville	C. D. Rountree, Greenville	8	80	550	110	51 50	16 00		
Hamilton	F. H. Robertson, Hamilton	7	46	50	50	9 40	2 89		
Henderson	W. W. Parker, Henderson	12	120	195	238	65 65	19 64		
Hickory	Thos. E. Powell, Gold Rock	6	30		35	5 00	1 30		
Hobgood	J. F. Ellsworth, Hobgood	4	30		45	8 00	2 36		
Johns' Chapel	J. W. B. Finch, Valentine's	7	60	72	20	8 00			
Littleton	Ivey Allen, Littleton	10	78	190	96	39 50	40 00		4 25
Louisburg	E. S. Green, Louisburg	8	103		140	50 00	9 60		
Mount Hebron	G. T. Shearin, Ransom's Bridge	6	72						

Mildred	E. C. Knight, Mildred	5	40	25	250	10 00			
Mount Zion	W. T. Cooper, Laurel	8	60		100	15 00			
Maple Springs	J. H. Uzzell, Mapleville	10	60	50	80	13 00	5 00		
New Bethel	W. B. Daniel	7	40		60	7 00			
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	7	64		70	12 00			
New Hope	J. T. Derr, Wilson	2	25		24	1 00			
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville	6	53		36	4 31			
Pleasant Grove	W. G. W. Stone, Oakland	5	58		24	2 00			
Philadelphia							5 62		
Peach Tree	W. F. May, Hunt's	4	50		30				
Poplar Spring	John Griffin and A. J. White, Sutton	15	100	100	80	8 00			
Rocky Mount	Geo. L. Parker, Rocky Mount								
*Reedy Creek	C. N. Riggan, Mountain View	6	50	40		18 75	7 85		
Reedy Creek No. 1	George Rooker, Grove Hill	6	50			18 75	7 85		
Red Bud	D. B. Pearce, Centreville	11	69			4 00			
Spring Hope	M. A. Griffin, Spring Hope	7	50		80	12 00			
Samaria	W. H. Cone, Stanhope	6	75		10	1 75			
Stanhope	S. F. Boyles, Finch	6	30		35	1 50			
Sandy Creek	P. J. Brewer, Oswego	13	90		100	7 00			
Sharon	J. H. Hicks, Wise	6	42	55	50	10 00	10 00		
Stony Creek	W. B. Harper, Rocky Mount	6	68		40	6 00			
Sulphur Springs	J. L. Rodgers, Brodie	8	42		35	15 61			
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	23	180	1000	275	285 00	180 00	25 00	
Tillery	John G. Powell, Tillery	5	39		48	14 04	7 10		
Turkey Branch	G. T. Saunders, Ringwood	6	47		30	3 00			7 77
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	7	63		100	33 89	6 90	10 83	
Washington	J. J. Wood, Washington	7	25		72	13 11	10 86		
Warrenton	J. R. Rodwell, Warrenton	12	116	330	200	57 89	5 50		
Williamston	Dennis Simmons, Williamston	5	70		30				
Wilson	B. F. Briggs, Wilson	12	93	200	100	50 00			
†Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	15	119	300	147	51 41	16 28		
		420	3399	3660	3467	$1.019 58	$347 81	$47 43	$31 17

*For aged ministers, $3.00. †For poor, $7.58.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Antioch	$ 30 00	$	$	$ 16 00	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 50	$ 36 50
Brown's	150 00	45 00			20 68	25 00	4 73	8 01			36 50	1 80	1 75	293 47
Bear Swamp	100 00				10 00	25 00	2 34	2 07	4 07		7 40	5 00	60	156 48
Battleboro														
Bethel	25 00	5 00	4 00			5 00					6 00		50	45 50
Crocker's Chapel	30 00	77 00				5 00					3 00		50	115 50
Conoconary	50 00					1 50	1 50	50	2 00				50	56 00
Corinth	100 00			7 00		80	1 50	1 40	2 00		7 00		1 50	121 20
Castalia	50 00					5 00							50	55 50
Cypress Chapel											1 00		50	1 50
Cedar Rock	100 00	10 00				9 50							1 50	121 00
Dawson's	100 00	2 00		37 50		10 00								149 50
Enterprise	50 00													50 00
Elm City	175 00		25 00	3 00		10 00	10 00			19 00			1 00	243 00
Eagles'	100 00	2 50	17 91		34 60	5 00					9 51		50	170 02
Ephesus	70 00					8 00					2 85		1 25	82 10
Elm Grove	50 00				2 00								1 00	53 00
Enfield	125 00	15 00									7 63		75	148 38
Fishing Creek	75 00	3 22				15 00	1 75		1 85	1 14	2 75	1 26	1 00	102 82
Gethsemane	100 00	1 46				10 00	2 25	1 78	1 95	87	2 95	7 85	50	123 61
Greenville	500 00	150 00	6 50	85 00	50 00	50 00	24 00	14 00	24 00	29 50	40 00	3 00	1 25	977 25
Gardner's						10 00							1 25	11 25
Hamilton	150 00	15 00			15 00	10 00							1 00	191 00
Henderson	1,100 00	125 00			139 00	25 00	14 48	91 72	70 11		26 98		1 50	1,593 78
Harriss' Chapel	75 00				17 29	15 00	6 41	2 00	3 00	2 00	2 00		1 60	124 30
Hickory	75 00		2 00	1 00		10 00	2 16	1 23		1 42	4 59		1 00	98 40
Hobgood	25 00	10 00											75	35 75
Johns' Chapel	35 00					2 00							50	37 50
Littleton	459 20	31 32	30 00	32 20	25 55	10 00	20 42	4 94	9 24	25 00	6 19		1 00	655 06
Louisburg	700 00	100 00	50 00	256 88	178 75	150 00	25 00			20 00	55 25	24 00	1 50	1,561 38
Mount Hebron	75 00			73 00									1 30	149 30
Middleburg	100 00	2 46				10 00	2 56				26 00	1 00	50	142 52
Macon				225 00		4 03	2 50		2 00				50	234 03

Mildred	125 00	10 00			10 00	10 00					12 00		50	167 50
Mount Zion	150 00					25 00					3 75		1 50	180 25
Maple Springs	150 00	11 50				25 00			3 66		5 00	5 00	2 00	202 16
New Bethel	100 00	6 00	3 65			10 00	1 35	2 35	25 22		5 00		1 50	155 07
Nashville	100 00	16 50				10 00					1 00		1 00	128 50
New Hope	40 00												50	40 50
Oak Level	35 00	8 40		14 00		5 00					1 52		50	64 42
Pleasant Grove		1 75		52 75		5 00		4 00					1 50	64 25
Philadelphia	100 00					8 55		4 00			2 40		1 60	116 55
Peach Tree						6 50					1 50		1 27	9 27
Pactolus	100 00	2 00				2 00	2 00	2 00	2 50	1 00	1 00		50	113 00
Pine Forest	50 00	15 00											1 00	67 00
Poplar Spring	150 00	3 90			55 17	20 00	4 00	4 00	7 48		28 99	2 00	2 50	278 04
Quankie	75 00					10 00			1 00		1 00		85	87 85
Rehoboth	75 00			125 00	1 00	5 00		2 50	2 50	1 50	3 55	3 50	1 00	220 55
Rocky Mount	600 00	61 35	6 50	186 00		40 00			13 90		66 52		1 50	975 77
Reedy Creek	100 00			5 00	2 80	8 00	2 40		4 60	3 50	27 00		1 35	154 65
Rock Spring						5 00							1 50	6 50
Red Bud			3 55			5 00	2 21	2 21	1 10		2 21		1 50	17 78
Spring Hope	75 00					5 00					5 00		75	85 75
Samaria	100 00			25 00		10 00			1 29		6 29		1 00	143 58
Stanhope	30 00	8 00				1 32							50	39 82
Sharpsburg													1 15	1 15
Sandy Creek		15 00		1 75		5 50	5 00		5 00		1 68		1 50	35 43
Sharon	175 00	1 75		70 00	11 00	25 00	21 25	8 25	12 50		7 25	2 70	1 00	335 70
Stony Creek	100 00	1 85			120 00	9 20		1 00	2 50	1 00	10 95	1 75	60	248 85
Sulphur Springs	75 00	4 10				2 50				1 15	5 00		50	88 25
Social Plains													50	50
Scotland Neck	1,000 00	100 00	118 15	1,000 00	145 00	200 00	141 25	33 00	80 00	57 00	150 00		2 00	3,026 44
Tillery	110 00	26 00				9 25							50	145 75
Turkey Branch	50 00					5 00		1 00			1 00		1 00	58 00
Tarboro														
Weldon	550 00	74 38	54 00			25 00	21 19	4 00	4 00	10 00	12 27	2 00	1 00	757 84
Washington	150 00	29 60		208 00		5 00		2 00	2 00		10 00		50	407 10
Warrenton	550 00	109 06	17 15	36 30	31 75	50 00	32 99	17 66	23 25	54 07	226 88	12 26	2 00	1,163 17
Williamston	350 00	50 00									26 04		50	426 54
Wilson	1,000 00	75 00	150 00	900 00			17 45	2 50					3 00	2,147 95
Warren Plains	100 00	15 00	4 70	251 42	20 91	7 57	18 64	11 31	24 71	5 00	9 31		1 00	469 57
	$11,139 00	$ 1,241 10	$ 493 32	$ 3,591 60	$ 890 50	$ 981 22	$ 391 33	$ 229 43	$ 336 43	$ 233 15	$ 907 06	$67 12	$70 57	$20,567 10

FINANCE COMMITTEE TABLE.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Associational Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Colportage.
Antioch	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 50	$.....
Bear Swamp	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	7 40	5 00	60	.....
Brown's	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	1 00	1 80	1 75	.....
Bethel	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Crocker's Chapel	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	50	.....
Conoconary	1 50	50	1 50	2 00	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Cypress Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	50	.....
Cedar Rock	.....	.....	9 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....
Castalia	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Corinth	.....	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....
Dawson's	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	3 39	.....	50	.....
Enfield	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 63	.....	75	.....
Ephesus	.....	.....	8 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....
Elm Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Elm City	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Eagles'	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Fishing Creek	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Gethsemane	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Greenville	12 00	7 00	50 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....
Harriss' Chapel	.....	1 00	15 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 60	2 00
Hickory	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Hamilton	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Henderson	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....
Hobgood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	.....
Johns' Chapel	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Louisburg	.....	.....	75 00	.....	10 00	.....	12 00	1 50	.....
Littleton	.....	.....	4 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....
Middleburg	.....	.....	10 00	3 00	2 15	.....	1 00	50	.....
*Maple Spring	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	2 00	.....
Mildred	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Mount Zion	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	3 77	.....	1 50	.....
Mount Hebron	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 30	.....
Macon	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Nashville	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....
New Bethel	1 35	2 35	10 00	.....	25 22	5 00	.....	1 50	.....
New Hope	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Oak Level	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 52	.....	50	.....
*Philadelphia	.....	4 00	8 55	.....	.....	2 40	.....	1 60	.....
†Pleasant Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peach Tree	.....	.....	6 50	.....	.....	1 50	.....	1 27	.....
Poplar Spring	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	2 50	2 50	2 50	.....
Pactolas	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 50	1 00	1 00	.....	50	.....
Pine Forest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Quankie	.....	.....	10 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	85	.....
Reedy Creek	.....	.....	8 00	.....	3 50	.....	.....	1 35	.....
Rehoboth	.....	2 50	5 00	2 50	1 50	3 55	3 50	1 00	.....
Rock Spring	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Rocky Mount	.....	.....	15 00	4 45	.....	13 60	.....	1 50	.....
Stanhope	.....	.....	1 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Stony Creek	.....	1 00	9 20	.....	1 00	8 45	1 75	60	.....
Sharpsbury	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 15	.....
Scotland Neck	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Sandy Creek	5 00	.....	5 50	5 00	.....	1 68	.....	1 50	.....
Spring Hope	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	75	.....
Sharon	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Sulphur Spring	.....	.....	2 50	.....	1 15	.....	.....	50	.....
Samaria	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Social Plains	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Turkey Branch	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	1 00	.....
Washington	.....	2 00	5 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Williamston	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Weldon	.....	4 00	25 00	4 00	.....	.....	2 00	1 00	.....
Warrenton	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Warren Plains	.....	.....	7 57	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Wilson	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....
Individual—									
J. W. Sledge	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tillery Church	.....	.....	9 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Totals.	$21 85	$28 85	$ 851 99	$40 45	$46 52	$82 42	$29 55	$65 82	$ 2 00

*Sunday School contributions to Orphanage, Maple Spring $5, Philadelphia, $5.62.
†Letter received, but contributions not sent up.

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tar River Association,

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH IN WILSON,

October 9th, 10th and 11th, 1895.

THE NEXT SESSION TO BE HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT POPLAR SPRINGS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, ON TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER, 1896.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON TO BE PREACHED BY REV. J. K. FANT; ALTERNATE, J. A. MCKAUGHAN.

RALEIGH, N. C.:
EDWARDS & BROUGHTON, POWER PRINTERS AND BINDERS,
1895.

OFFICERS.

N. L. SHAW, MODERATOR ..... Warrenton.
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C. M. COOKE, H. J. CORDLE, W. E. DANIEL.

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To write on obituaries ..... G. W. HARMAN.
To write on State missions ..... J. W. MILLARD.
To write on foreign missions ..... J. A. McKAUGHAN.
To write on associational missions ..... T. J. Taylor.
To write on home missions ..... G. M. DUKE.
To write on education ..... E. E. HILLIARD.
To write on orphanage ..... N. BIGGS.
To write on periodicals ..... G. W. BLOUNT.

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DUKE, G. M., Dukes.
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HOCUTT, J. E., Stanhope.
HARMAN, G. W, Weldon.
HILL, T. P, Wake Forest.
I'ANSON, VERNON, Emporia.
LOYD, L. A., Springhope.
McLEOD, DUNCAN, Washington.
McKAUGHAN, J. A., Enfield.
MILLARD, J. W., Henderson.
MAY, G. W., Wake Forest.
MUNDY, J. A., Wilson.
MORTON, W. B, Louisburg.
NOWELL, W. C., Nashville.
NOBLE, J. W., Greenville.
NEWELL, G. W., Mapleville.
PACE, J. R, Whitakers.
PERNELL, M. R., Louisburg.
PIPPIN, A. A., Spring Hope.
PERKINSON, LEVI, Warren Plains.
POWELL, J. W., Mildred.
SMITH, W. A., Cedar Rock.
SLEDGE, J. W., Cedar Rock.
SAVAGE, W. V., Tarboro.
TAYLOR, T. J., Warrenton.
VANN, R. T., Scotland Neck.
WILLCOX, A. G., Brinkleyville.

LICENTIATE.

COLBERT, J. W. ..... Oswego.

PROCEEDINGS.

WILSON, October 9th, 1895.

The Tar River Association met with the church here to-day, in its Sixty-fifth Annual Session. "Rock of ages" was sung. Bro. Duke read the 103d Psalm. Prayers were offered by Bros. Duke and Matthews, after which the Moderator called the body to order.

A motion was made and carried that the opening sermon be postponed until 7:30 o'clock at night.

Bros. George L. Parker, J. W. Bryan and B. F. Drake were appointed a Committee on Finance.

Roll of churches called, and delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—By letter.
Brown's—By letter.
Bear Swamp—Amos Sledge.
Battleboro—G. W. Ward, T. D. Wright.
Bethel—By letter.
Crocker's Chapel—E. H. Crocker.
Conoconary—J. A. Pope.
Corinth—D. T. Fuller, A. A. Dement.
Castalia—Gideon Coggin.
Cypress Chapel—W. A. Moore, J. C. Moore.
Cedar Rock—J. W. Fulgium, E. M. Sykes.
Dawson's—G. L. Branch, O. P. Stallings, Tom Pope.
Enterprise—By letter.
Elm City—W. E. Winstead, W. D. Carter, J. H. Barkley.
Eagles—B. F. Eagles.
Ephesus—W. M. Warren, W. W. Batchelor.
Elm Grove—P. R. Batchelor, W. J. Batchelor, J. D. Bizzle.
Enfield—By letter.
Fishing Creek—Jake Alford, Elbert Shearin.
Gethsemane—H. H. Rasberry, O. L. Pitman.
Greenville—C. M. Billings.
Gardner's—By letter.
Hamilton—
Henderson—T. P. Stewart, J. W. Millard.
Harris' Chapel—A. G. Willcox, Sam. Hamlet, John Shearin.
Hickory—B. F. Drake, Alex. Edwards, J. C. Davis.
Hobgood—By letter.
John's Chapel—J. T. Boswell, G. W. Dudley.
Littleton—H. J. Cordle.
Louisburg—H. L. Magee, E. S. Green, G. H. Cooper.
Mt. Hebron—
Middleburg—
Macon—By letter.
Mildred—E. C. Knight, D. E. Cobb, T. J. Crish.
Mt Zion—W. T. Cooper, Joe Andrews, A. C. Stone.
Maple Spring—J. H. Wheeless.
New Bethel—J. W. Stokes.
Nashville—L. M. Conyers, L. W. Hedgepeth.
New Hope—W. H. White, R. H. White.
Oak Level—C. J. Williford, D. W. Mosley.

Pleasant Grove—L. A. Lloyd, J. R. Coggin, T. J. Hollingsworth.
Philadelphia—M. S. Griffin, J. T. Tisdell, D. A. Taylor.
Peach Tree—G. Rice, W. F. May.
Pactolus—
Pine Forest—By letter.
Poplar Spring—J. M. White, C. T. Cheaves, R. Dodd.
Quaker—R. E. Green.
Rehoboth—J. R. Green, H. D. Griffin, G. T. Edwards.
Rocky Mount—G. L. Parker, H. J. Hester, A. J. Williams.
Reedy Creek—M. T. Duke.
Rock Spring—B. F. Wilder.
Red Bud—D. B. Pearce.
Spring Hope—G. M. Duke.
Samaria—
Stanhope—S. R. Pearce.
Sandy Creek—By letter.
Sharpsburg—L. A. Lloyd.
Sharon—D. P. Hicks.
Stony Creek—L. H. Harper, Cicero Ellen.
Sulphur Springs—By letter.
Social Plains—
Scotland Neck—E. E. Hilliard, N. Biggs, R. M. Johnson.
Tillery—By letter.
Turkey Branch—W. J. Harden.
Tarboro—C. J. Austin, W. V. Savage, G. C. Hand.
Weldon—B. A. Pope, W. E. Daniel.
Washington—D. McLeod.
Warrenton—N. L. Shaw, T. J. Taylor.
Williamston—E. J. Edwards.
Wilson—B. B. Rhodes, Linsey Moye, G. W. Blount.
Warren Plains—By letter.

After receiving names of delegates, the Association was permanently organized, by electing N. L. Shaw, Moderator; E. E. Hilliard, Vice-Moderator; A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer.

The following brethren were appointed Committee on Order of Business: E. E. Hilliard, T. J. Taylor, Blakley H. Matthews.

Rev. C. W. Ivey, pastor of the Methodist Church, recognized and invited to a seat among us. Members of press also invited to seats.

The church at Plymouth was received by letter from the Chowan Association.

Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship to delegates Barkley H. Matthews, J. W. Bryan and W. P. Rose.

The applications of the new churches at Roanoke Rapids, Bethlehem and North Rocky Mount were referred to the following committee: W. B. Morton, W. V. Savage and W. E. Bowers.

Bro. Munday, for Bro. Ivey, pastor of the Methodist Church, tendered the use of their house of worship, which was acknowledged with thanks.

Bro. Duke brought a message of fraternal greeting from our venerable brother, William Cooper, who, for many years, has met with the Association, but expects to meet with it no more.

On motion of Bro. Vann, Bro. Duke was appointed to respond to Bro. Cooper, on behalf of the Association, and a special prayer was offered for him.

Bro. Mundy, on behalf of the church and the citizens of the town, extended a hearty welcome to delegates and visitors, which was responded to by Bro. I'Anson for the Association.

Adjourned for dinner.

WEDNESDAY, 2 o'clock.

Association reassembled, and spent some time in devotional exercises.

Hour for special order having arrived, the report on Ministers' Relief Board was read by A. G. Willcox:

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS' RELIEF.

To the Tar River Association:

Our Aged Ministers' Relief Board is located in Durham. At last report it was aiding ten beneficiaries—six brothers and four sisters. One of these aged brothers is a member of our Association. There are other faithful servants of the Lord in the State that need the help of this Board, but it cannot be given for want of funds. The churches in our Association have done but little for this work. They ought to do a great deal more than they have done. We, therefore, recommend that each of our churches send a contribution, during the month of December, for this worthy object to Bro. J. D. Boushall, Raleigh, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX.

The report was received, and discussed by Bros. Willcox, Sledge, Taylor, Pace, Powell, Duke and Edwards.

The Moderator called upon Bro. Duke to offer special prayer for our aged venerable brother, J. G. Barkley, a beneficiary of this Board.

A cash collection, amounting to $11.05, was taken, after which, the report was adopted.

Visiting brethren invited to seats and accepted by Bros. John Mitchell, from Central Association and representing Board of Education; J. G. Pulliam, from Raleigh Association, and R. D. Carroll, of Atlantic Association.

The Committee on New Churches made the following report:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES.

Your committee, appointed to examine the Articles of Faith and Church Covenant of Bethlehem Church, and the Roanoke Rapids Church and North Rocky Mount Church, have examined the same and find them to be regular, and recommend their reception into the fellowship of this Association. As regard to North Rocky Mount Church, their Articles of Faith and Church Covenant have been misplaced, but we have been reliably informed by Revs. J. K. Howell and J. A. Mundy, and Bros. Hilliard and Noah Biggs, members of the Presbytery, that the Church Covenant and Articles of Faith are regular.

W. B. MORTON,
W. V. SAVAGE.

Report then adopted.

Bro. Vann offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association, that the first matter of business at each annual session, is the organization of the body. We therefore recommend that the delegates make special efforts to be on hand by 11 o'clock on the first day of the session.

Report on obituaries read by Bro. Duke and adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We love to say kind things of the dead. We love to remember their faithful service, deeds of love, and acts of charity. We love to keep

fresh the memory of those with whom we have worshiped, labored and suffered.

This Association wisely appoints a committee each year to write on this subject by which we are reminded of our own mortality, and the loved ones who are gone. I desire to mention in this report the names of the following brethren: Bro. I. L. Cushing, of Scotland Neck Church, who died in August 1895. He was converted late in life, yet he was a faithful and devoted Christian, and died in the triumph of faith. Bro. John T. Barnes, of Wilson Church—he was generous and noble hearted and did much toward building the new Church. Old Bro. Jerry Biggan, of Reedy Creek Church—he was baptized just one month before he died. In him was manifested God's gracious love, in saving at the eleventh hour. He died happy.

I desire also to mention the names of the following Sisters: Sister Sallie McDowell Neal, of Scotland Neck Church—she was a cultured, lovely, Christian lady, beloved by all; a useful efficient Christian ; died peacefully in September 1895. Sister Penina Wood, of Red Bud Church—she was a most excellent Christian lady ; missed by her family, pastor, Church and community. Sister Susan B. Wood of Philadelphia Church: Truly a mother in Israel has fallen in the death of this dear woman. Sister Lucy Lancaster, of Reedy Creek. Bettie Wells, of Battleboro. Sister El Pepper, of Bethlehem. Sister James H. Lassiter, of Henderson, Rebecca Harris and Lizzie Rivers, of Warrenton.

It is a pleasure to speak these few words in memory of these loved ones that are gone. May we who remain be more faithful, loving and tender, so that when we are called, we may die in peace, and meet them in Glory.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. DUKE.

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator: On time, place and preacher, W. V. Savage, D. P. Hicks and Geo. H. Cooper.

To select delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions: W. B. Morton, W. E. Bowers and R. M. Johnson.

Executive Committee for next year: N. Biggs, T. J. Taylor, C. M. Cooke, W. E. Bowers, H. J. Cordle and W. E. Daniel.

By a motion, made and carried, N. L. Shaw was added to committee.

Adjourned.

At night Bro. W. V. Savage preached the Introductory Sermon. Text: Matt. xiii: 33.

THURSDAY, 9:30 o'clock.

Association convened, and prayer and praise service, led by C. M. Billings. Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and approved.

Visiting brethren again invited to seats, and accepted by Bros. C. Durham, J. B. Boone and J. B. Brewer.

Bro. McLaurin, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, recognized and invited to a seat.

Special order, State Missions, next claimed the attention of the body. The report was read by T. J. Taylor.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The work of preaching the gospel in every section of our State is entrusted to the Board of Missions. Under the wise and energetic management of this Board much has already been accomplished. Nearly a

hundred missionaries are occupying the destitute neighborhoods and supplying weak churches in the various Associations connected with the State Convention, and the State is thickly dotted with churches organized under the auspices of this Board. Last year the 95 missionaries of the Board preached 5,272 sermons, supplied 56 churches and 320 out stations, baptized 1,542, constituted 48 new churches, built 28 houses of worship at a cost of $31,225. At the making of the last report 72 new houses were being erected, which are doubtless, by this time, completed. Much has been done, and much more remains to be done. "There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed. Let us go up at once and possess it." In order to do this we must all press the work vigorously.

We recommend that each of our churches make regular and liberal contributions to this important work. Send all contributions to J. D. Boushall, Raleigh, N. C.

T. J. TAYLOR.

The report was ably discussed by Bro. C. Durham, and then adopted.

Hour for special order having arrived, the report on Associational Missions was read by W. V. Savage.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the past associational year the following Bros. have labored as missionaries under the auspices of the Executive Committee of this Association:

Elder J. R. Pace, has preached regularly at Gethsemane, Hobgoods, Lane's School House and Parker's School-House. He reports ten or more professions of faith on these fields during the past two months, and that the outlook is hopeful.

Elder C. M. Billings, has been working at Greenville, Pactolus and Forbs' School-House. Bro. Billings reports that the need for his entire time at Greenville is imperative. Several additions by baptism and letter at Greenville.

Elder D. McLeod, reports a healthy state of affairs at Washington—work progressing. The work on the house of worship is so far finished that they have completed a beautiful Sunday School room, and are worshiping in it, and the work is going forward hopefully on the main building.

Elder A. G. Wilcox reports the organization of a Church at Bethlehem, with 24 members—a nice house erected, (size 32 x 46) all completed, except inside work. Outlook bright. At Randolph Rapids a church has been organized with 9 members. Fine lot for building has been secured; deed in the hands of Bro. W. E. Daniel. Contract has been awarded, and work commenced on a beautiful house, to cost $1,000, which will be completed in 50 days. Has preached regularly during the year at Dr. Williams' School-House.

Elder E. J. Edwards has preached for 10 months at Bethel; held a meeting during the summer with one profession. The church is now without a pastor.

Elder McKaughan has occupied during the year the points at Enfield, Dawsons, Tillery, Halifax, Coconory and the State Farms. Reports 14 additions to the Church at Dawsons, as a result of a meeting held at that place, and that the work is getting on as well as could be reasonably expected at the other points.

Elder W. V. Savage has preached regularly during the year at Tarboro, Mildred and Eagles; reports progress on his field; there have been 25 additions to the churches in this field during the year—15 at Tarboro, 7 at Mildred and 3 at Eagles.

Elder J. K. Fant has labored at Macon and adjoining country—building house of worship at Lane's School. Baptized 4. Large congregations and good contributions to all the objects of the convention.

Elder J. W. Sledge, at Oak Level and Crocker's Chapel, reports the good meeting at Oak Level, fifteen professions of faith House nearly paid for, and the church self-sustaining. Work progressing on the building at Crocker's Chapel. Two received by baptism, and the outlook encouraging.

Your committee finds that the missionaries within your territory realize the difficulties in the way, and yet are full of hope; trusting in Him who overcomes all obstacles, and over-ruleth all things for the good of His people.

These brethren greatly need, and earnestly request your prayers, your sympathy and your appreciation, as well as your financial aid.

Respectfully,

W. V. SAVAGE.
For the Committee.

Report was discussed by Bros. Savage, Pace, Wilcox, McLeod and Taylor. Roll of churches called and the amounts below pledged for next year, after which adjourned for dinner:

Scotland Neck	$200 00	Pleasant Grove	$ 10 00
Louisburg	100 00	Peach Tree	10 00
Greeenville	60 00	Pactolus	10 00
Warrenton	50 00	Quankie	10 00
Littleton	30 00	Rehoboth	10 00
Bear Swamp	30 00	Reedy Creek	10 00
Brown's	25 00	Samaria	10 00
Poplar Springs	25 00	Stony Creek	10 22
Rocky Mount	25 00	Washington	10 00
Sharon	25 00	Bethel	5 00
Tarboro	25 00	Crocker's Chapel	5 00
Weldon	25 00	Castalia	5 00
Wilson	25 00	Eagle's	5 00
Plymouth	25 00	Ephesus	5 00
Fishing Creek	25 00	Elm Grove	5 00
Henderson	25 00	Hobgood	5 00
Battleboro	20 00	Oak Level	5 00
Dawson's	20 00	Pine Forest	5 00
Elm City	20 00	Rock Spring	5 00
Mt. Zion	20 00	Red Bud	5 00
Philadelphia	20 00	Spring Hope	5 00
Sandy Creek	20 00	Turkey Branch	5 00
Williamston	20 00	Bethlehem	5 00
Harris' Chapel	15 00	Roanoke Rapids	5 00
Gethsemene	15 00	North Rocky Mount	5 00
Mildred	15 00	G. M. Duke	5 00
Warren Plains	15 00	J. W. Sledge	5 00
Tillery	15 00	J. A. Mundy	5 00
Cedar Rock	10 00	J. W. Powell	5 00
Enfield	10 00	A. G. Wilcox	5 00
Gardner's	10 00	R. T. Vann	5 00
Hamilton	10 00	J. R. Pace	5 00
Hickory	10 00	N. Biggs	5 00
Macon	10 00	New Hope	2 50
New Bethel	10 00		
Nashville	10 00	Total	$1227 72

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Association assembled, and after the usual devotional services, proceeded with the special order, which was the Report on Education, read by Bro. Munday:

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

A desire for knowledge is on the increase, and we may confidently predict that it will suffer no abatement in the years to come. Education is no longer the privilege of the favored few upon whom fortune has smiled, but has become a necessity with all classes of society. And it is a matter over which we may rejoice, that even poverty, with its disadvantages and hindrances, no longer deters our aspiring youths from seeking the best training of our high schools and colleges. Your committee takes pleasure in placing upon record a statement of work done along this line at the Chowan Female Institute. A large percentage of the young ladies attending that institution are self supporting, securing the means of defraying their expenses by commendable sacrifice and toil. As a denomination, we have sought to meet this growing demand, for a more thorough education, by furnishing schools and colleges to meet the needs and requirements of the age. We have reached that point from which we cannot recede, without incurring great financial loss, and proving ourselves disloyal to Christ and to the principles we hold to be sacred. We are in the field into which Providence thrust us, and we must not abandon it unless removed by the same authority. Our denominational prosperity and our profound convictions of duty to the people, are alike calling upon us, by sacrifices, cheering words and prayers, to keep our institutions in a state of readiness to answer all the requirements of the age.

Your committee would report that Wake Forest College is ever advancing along the lines of prosperity and efficiency.

The endowment of a chair in memory of that noble and scholarly Christian gentleman, Dr. Royal, has not yet been completed. We should not be slow in sending in our contributions to this object.

We would advise the delegates of this Association to read and study the articles of Dr. C. E. Taylor, now in pamphlet form, on "How far should a State undertake to educate," and to commend to young men his "Familiar talks with young men." "Every Baptist in the State has a property right in Wake Forest," and should therefore, from personal interest, if from no higher motive, seek to advance its highest and best interests.

Colleges for women: The institutions of Oxford and Murfreesboro are well equipped, and have gained for themselves reputations for thorough training and wise management.

The work on the Woman's College to be located in Raleigh, is making most cheering progress, and will be ready for its work by September 1896. This school will be our property and pride, though located in the bounds of another Association. Its call upon the liberality of Baptists is as broad as the State, so that call must not pass by us unheeded.

Ministerial Education: During the last session 36 students, preparing themselves for the ministry, were aided at Wake Forest College, by the Education Board. There are now 35 young men who are receiving aid from the same source, and others are asking help from the Board. The present indebtedness of the Board is $1,000. We should increase our contributions, that this debt may be removed and these servants of our convention be put in condition to enlarge their work.

J. A. MUNDY.

Report was received and discussed by Bro. John Mitchell, after which roll of churches was called, and the following amounts pledged:

Brown's	$ 5 00	Peach Tree	$ 3 00
Bear Swamp	5 00	Pactolus	2 50
Bethel	5 00	Pocky Mount	10 00
Cornith	1 00	Reedy Creek	5 00
Castalia	1 00	Rock Springs	1 00
Cypress Chapel	1 00	Red Bud	2 00
Cedar Rock	5 00	Spring Hope	3 00
Ephesus	2 50	Sandy Creek	2 50
C. M. Billings	25 00	Sharon	5 00
Elm City	2 50	Hickory	1 00
Henderson	15 50	Scotland Neck	50 00
Harris' Chapel	5 00	Tillery	5 00
Littleton	5 00	Turkey Branch	2 00
Louisburg	25 00	Tarboro	5 00
Mildred	2 00	Warrenton	25 00
Two sisters, each	2 50	Wilson	5 00
Gethsemane	1 00	Warren Plains	5 00
Mt. Zion	2 00	Williamston	1 00
Maple Springs	5 00	Plymouth Sunday School	5 00
Pleasant Grove	2 50		
Philadelphia	2 50	Total	$275 00

A cash collection amounting to $10.25 was taken. Further consideration of report deferred.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, made the following report which was adopted: Place, Poplar Springs; time, Tuesday before second Sunday in October 1896; to preach introductory sermon, J. K. Fant; alternate, J. A. McKaughan.

W. V. SAVAGE,
G. H. COOPER,
D. P. HICKS.

Committee to nominate delegates to Baptist State and Southern Baptist Conventions, made the following report which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DELEGATES.

Your committee, appointed to nominate delegates to the Baptist State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention, report as follows:

BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION.—W. E. Bowers, W. B. Coppedge, S. S. Alsop, B. F. Eagles, D. J. Whichard, A. G. Willcox, J. H. Sherrod, J. W. Millard, J. P. Timberlake, L. W. Bagley, G. W. Newell, E. C. Knight, John R. Coleman, R. A. P. Cooley, T. S. Colly, George L. Parker, A. A. Pippin, E. E. Hilliard, A. C. Liverman, W. V. Savage, D. McLeod, R. D. Fleming, N. L. Shaw, J. A. Mundy, G. M. Duke, C. M. Cooke, W. E. Daniel, J. H. Nicholson, J. W. Sledge.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.—E. J. Edwards.

W. B. MORTON,
R. M. JOHNSON,
M. T. DUKE.
Committee.

Special order for the hour being Sunday Sunday schools, the report was read by Bro. E. E. Hilliard, who also followed the report in an interesting address; after which the report was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it," applies to every possible means at hand for the proper training of children. The first training that God expects us to give children is in the home, and too much stress cannot be placed upon the necessity of proper home training. But as long as what mortal men and women do in this world is imperfect, just so long will it be wise and and proper and pleasing to God to supplement every good work done in the home, by other work outside of the home.

And while we, as Baptists, do not claim in any way that the training of children in Sunday School fits them for the Church, as we have some times been accused, we do claim that the work done in our Sunday Schools leads to certain beneficial results in the lives of both children and adults, that home training can not accomplish.

The importance of this department of our work can not be over estimated. Every Baptist Church ought to have a Sunday School, and every school ought to continue all the year if possible. No church can afford to be without a Sunday School: and wherever it is possible, our town and city churches and the stronger country churches, ought to organize mission schools, and prosecute the work at such mission points with as much vigor as circumstances will allow.

The field for our Sunday School work is as broad as our continent. It is limited only by our willingness, or unwillingness, to lay out our strength in such service for the Master. In many cases Sunday School work has been the means of reaching communities with the gospel, establishing churches, stretching out the borders of the Kingdom of God, and raising up men whose lives and influence are the very pillows of the church and society about them.

Let us press the work in every church, and in every community, and cease not our efforts until every Baptist, old and young, shall be enlisted as active workers in the Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted, E. E. HILLIARD.

Adjourned until 7:30 o'clock.

THURSDAY NIGHT, 7:30 o'clock.

Association convened and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, led by Bro. E. E. Hilliard, after which Report on Orphanage was read by Bro. W. E. Bowers.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We have at Thomasville an Orphan's Home, at which can be accommodated 130 orphans, with lands adjoining, on which they can raise a partial support.

There have been recent changes in the management, which many of us regret.

Whatever of sinfulness or of selfishness there may exist in man, we believe this is a God-given institution, and should receive our unanimous endorsement and hearty support.

Respctfully submitted,
W. E. BOWERS.

Report was discussed in an able manner by Bros. Bowers, Boon and Duke, after which a collection in cash and pledges was taken as follows:

J. W. Sledge	$ 5 00	D. Taylor	$ 5 00
J. G. Pulliam	5 00	E. S. Green	5 00
N. Biggs	5 00	C. J. Austin	5 00
G. W. Ward	5 00	T. J Hadley	5 00

M. S. Griffin	$ 5 00
G. L. Parker	5 00
J. J. Atkinson	5 00
J. E. Hancock	5 00
Mrs. J. F. Bruton	5 00
John Mitchell	5 00
G. M. Duke	5 00
J. A. Mundy	5 00
J. B. Boone	5 00
N. L. Shaw	5 00
Mrs. B. F. Briggs	5 00
L. W. Hedgspeth	1 00
Ed. Shearin	1 00
A friend	5 00
Cash	4 25
Miss Annie Biggs	1 00
Mrs. T. N. Ivey	1 00
Cash	2 75
Hat	9 50
Col. at Methodist church	5 45
R. T. Vann	5 00
E. E. Hilliard	2 50
G. H. Cooper	2 50
W. C. Allen	2 50
H. J. Cordle	$ 2 50
J. W. Bryant	1 00
J. R. Pace	1 00
Cicero Ellen	1 00
L. A. Loyd	1 00
N. B. Cobb	1 00
W. T. Wright	1 00
Bro. Knight	1 00
J. J. Privett	1 00
L. M. Conyers	1 00
E. T. Fuller	1 00
W. M. Warren	1 00
Bro. Warren	1 00
J. G. Pulliam	1 00
N. Biggs	2 00
Red Bud	2 50
Peach Tree	2 00
Plymouth	25 00
Bert Wilder	1 00
J. H. Wheeler	1 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00
	$188 45

Report adopted.

Adjourned, benediction by Bro Vann.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9:30 o'clock.

Association assembled and spent half hour in devotional exercises, led by Bro. Millard, after which the Report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. I'Anson. Able addresses were made by Brethren I'Anson, Pace, and Howell, after which the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Lord has visited his people both at home and in the foreign field during the past year. The hearts of the brethren are greatly stirred by the cheering prospect, and a larger amount has been given for the work than ever before, and many baptisms have been reported in the foreign fields of labor. The contributions for the past year have been over $130,000 This is much more than has ever been given for the regular work. The board is still troubled with a debt of nearly $20,000, $9,200 of it being on the Chapel Fund. Of all the funds received by the board, 92 cents on the dollar went to the missionaries, and of the 8 cents on the dollar deducted for home expenses, a part was used in paying interest on the debt, and part for the cost of running the Woman's Missionary Union, of Baltimore, a most excellent and greatly helpful agency for the collection of funds for the Foreign Mission cause. These consecrated, Godly women, collected through the State Central Committees, and Woman's Missionary Societies, $24,933.64, and charged nothing for their services, the cost being only for printing and postage.

The Little Sunbeams, a children's society, with Rev. G. B. Taylor as manager, raised $2,549.23 for this blessed cause.

The Gospel field is the world, and the Master's command to us is, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. We have missions in Africa, Brazil, China, Italy, Japan and Mexico. In

these fields we have 85 churches, 114 out stations, 40 male and 51 female missionaries, 30 native ordained missionaries, and 59 unordained native workers and Bible women. There have been 581 baptisms in the field, and these missions have contributed $6 458.72 to the work.

Some of our noble missionaries have fallen at their posts of duty, and gone home to be with their beloved Master and Saviour, our dear Bro. and Sister Newton dying in Africa, and the consecrated sister, Mrs. Z. C. Taylor in Brazil, and our beloved Sister King, formerly Miss Fannie Knight, dying in China.

The Foreign Mission Board pleads with us to raise $500 for its work during the coming year. Brethren, let us do this much for Jesus. Let us look to God for help and try to raise this amount, and God will open the way for us to do so.

The year past has been one full of great and trying cares, and yet replete with the presence and blessings of the Master. The very depression has demanded stronger faith and greater consecration. We have called to God, and He has granted us grace and strength, and the churches have nobly responded to the call for help. With thankful hearts for past blessings, let us turn our faces to the future, and earnestly, bravely and prayerfully press forward the work of winning the world for Christ.

Brethren, the Master calls upon us to go. Shall we go, or shall we send? One of the other we surely must do. If we do not go or send, how can we expect, or even ask Jesus to be with us? He has promised to be with us if we go, always, even unto the end of the world.

Respectfully submitted,

V. I'ANSON.
Committee.

Report on Home Missions was read by Bro. Morton. Discussed by Brethren Millard and Vann, and report adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

What Associational Missions is to the Tar River Association, and what State Missions is to North Carolina, that Home Missions is to all the States in the Southern Baptist Convention, Indian Territory and Cuba.

The work of the Home Mission Board is gradually winning its way into the hearts and purses of our Baptist hosts. As our people learn more of the destitution, and as they become better acquainted with the workers, their faithfulness and successes, they feel a deeper interest in the cause and give more liberally of their prayers and means for its support.

During the last ten years the work of this Board has been greatly enlarged. There are to-day, in round numbers, three times as many missionaries on the field as there were ten years ago, when the Association met in Wilson. These missionaries have done more than three times as much work as was done ten years ago, with spiritual results far more commensurate with the efforts put forth.

The work of this Board has grown among the churches of the Tar River Associatian. The contributions made by the churches in this association last year, were more than seven times as large as they were ten years ago. And it is to be hoped that there will be in the future, still further enlargement. Larger destitution calls for more men, more men call for larger contributions and prayers.

W. B. MORTON.

Bro. Vann, owing to enfeebled health, was excused as Historian, and Bro. J. W. Powell appointed in his stead.

Finance committee made the following report, which was received:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The amounts below were received and turned over to N. Biggs, Treasurer Executive Committee, and A. G. Wilcox, Treasurer of the Association:

Associational Missions	$ 1.054 38
State Missions	7 00
Home Missions	22 05
Foreign Missions	75 00
Education (Ministerial)	31 36
Orphanage	50 17
Aged Ministers	12 95
Minutes	60 05
Colportage	2 75
	$ 1,316 21

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. L. PARKER,
J. W. BRYAN,
Committee.

Treasurer of Executive Committee offered his report, which was referred to G. W. Blount to audit, who reported audited and found correct.

G. W. BLOUNT,
Auditor.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *In account with* N. BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

1895.			
Oct. 1.	To cash paid J. R. Pace, for services in Edgecombe and Nash,		$ 200 00
	To Cash paid J. K. Fant, for services at Macon, etc.,		100 00
	" " " D. McLeod, Beaufort Co.		75 00
	" " " A. G. Willcox, on his field		75 00
	" " " J. W. Sledge, on his field		25 00
	" " " J. H. Lamberth, Pitt Co.		16 66
	" " " C. M. Billings, Pitt Co.		66 66
	" " " E. J. Edwards, Martin and Pitt Counties.		41 16
	" " " J. A. McKaughan, for Halifax Co. and State Farm		100 00
	" " " W. V. Savage, Edgecombe Co.		325 00
			$1,024 48

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1894.			
Oct. 10.	By amount from Association	$867 00	
	" " " Gardner's Church	10 00	
	" " " Tillery Church	75	
	" " " A. G. Willcox	17 00	
	" " " Miss Eagles	5 00	
	" " " N. Biggs	50 00	
	" " " J. A. Pittman	25 00	
	" " " F. R. Shields	25 00	
	" " " Battleboro Church	15 00	
	Oct. 1, '95. By balance	9 73	
		$1,024.48	$1,024.48
Oct. 2.	To balance	9.73	

Treasurer of Association reported, and it was referred to anditor, who afterwards reported as follows:

I have examined and carefully audited the report of the Treasurer, and find the same correct; that a balance remains due the Treasurer of $11.36.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. BLOUNT,
Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *in account with* A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*
Oct. 1894.

Received of Finance Committee for State Missions	$21 85
" " " " " Home Missions	28 85
" " " " " Foreign Missions	40 45
" " " " " Education	46 52
" " " " " Orphanage	85 42
" " " " " Aged Ministers	29 55
" " " " " Minute Fund	67 32
" " " " " Colportage	2 00
Cash collection for Aged Ministers	7 72
" " " Associational Missions	7 00
Received of Red Bud Church for Asssciational Missions	5 00
" " " " " " Foreign Missions	1 10
" " " " " " State Missions	2 21
" " " " " " Home Missions	2 21
" " " " " " Orphanage	2 21
" " " " " " Minutes	1 50
" " Gardner's church for Minutes	1 25
" " Pleasant Grove for Associational Missions	5 00
" " " " " Minutes	1 50
" " Dawson's for Orphanage	2 57
Total	$361 23

DISBURSEMENTS.

By balance due Treasurer at last session	$ 13 27
" amount paid J. D. Boushall for State Missions	21 85
" " " " " Home Missions	28 85
" " " " " Foreign Missions	40 45
" " " " " Aged Ministers	29 55
" cash collection for Aged Ministers	7 72
" amount paid J. D. Boushall for Colportage	2 00
" " " E. E. Hilliard for Orphanage	85 42
" " " Dr. John Mitchell for Education	46 52
" " " J. D. Boushall State Missions from Red Bud	2 21
" " " J. D. Boushall Home Missions from Red Bud	2 21
" " " J. D. Boushall Foreign Missions from Red Bud	1 10
" " " J. D. Boushall Orphanage from Red Bud	2 21
" " " " Orphanage from Dawson's	2 57
" " " Clerk's fee	25 00
Stationary, mailing manuscript, &c	84
Paid Edwards and Broughton for printing and distributing minutes	48 00

By amount paid N. Biggs for Associational Missions Red Bud Church		5 00
" " " " " Associational Missions Pleasant Grove		5 00
" " " " " Associational Missions, cash collection		7 00
" " " L. W. Bagley for 100 blank Church Letters		1 50
" " " " Mailing same to Church clerks		86
		$379 13
By Collection		6 54
		$372 59
Balance due Treasurer	$17 90	

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX,
Treasurer.

A cash collection of $6.54 was taken to reimburse the Treasurer. Adjourned for dinner.

FRIDAY, 3 P. M.

Association assembled and was led in prayer by G. M. Duke. Report on Periodicals was read, and interesting speeches were made by Brethren Cobb, Mundy, Hilliard, Pulliam and Shaw, after which, report was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Every Baptist in the State wants to be reliably informed about Baptist work in North Carolina. None can afford to neglect so important a matter, for the more one becomes informed about matters in general, and Baptist matters in particular, the firmer believer he becomes in Baptist principles. The homes, too, are the nurseries of the Church, whence are obtained, from time to time, strong and resolute material to become the pillars of our churches.

Your Committee, believing that it is a matter of great importance, recommends the *Biblical Recorder* as a paper that supplies all needed information in regard to denominational work in North Carolina, and at the same time furnishes other literature suitable for the household. The *Recorder* has lost by death its lamented and able editor, Dr. C. T. Bailey, since the last meeting of the Association; but that undaunted soldier's weapons have fallen into the hands of his brilliant son, J. W. Bailey, who is a ready and easy writer. Your Committee believes him well able to maintain the high standard the paper has so long held.

Charity and Children is also well worthy of the support of Baptists throughout the State, for it is the organ of that institution which is dear to all our hearts.

The Wake Forest Student should be liberally supported, and especially should it be in the hands of all alumni of the college. It is a creditable journal, and compares favorably with the best college magazines of the United States.

Our Sunday Schools should use the publication of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. ALLEN.

Resolution of thanks by Bro. Hilliard passed.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due, and heartily tendered to the members of this church and the citizens of the town, for

their cordial hospitality, and the Methodist brethren for the use of their house of worship, and to the Presbyterian brethren for the tender of their's, and such railroads as gave reduced rates.

Clerk instructed to have minutes printed, and to receive usual compensation.

FRIDAY NIGHT, 7:30 o'clock.

Association convened and after the usual praise service, the report on education was again read, and thrilling speeches were made on the subject of general education by Bros. Millard and Hilliard. The report was then adopted.

The Moderator made some happy closing remarks. The choir sung "Blest be the tie that binds," the parting hand was taken, and the session of the Association became a thing of the past. Adjourned to meet with the Church at Poplar Springs, Franklin county, on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1896.

N. L. SHAW,
Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX,
Clerk and Treasurer.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it best to be governed by certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator.
3 The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted, unless he violate some rule of decorum.
4. The person speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject, and in no-wise reflect on any other brother.
5. No brother shall absent himself from the Association without obtaining permission from the body.
6. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without unanimous consent.
7. No person shall whisper while a brother is speaking.
8. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.
9. The Moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but is entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
10. An order of business shall be made at the begining of each session, and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the churches, who shall produce letters certifying their appointment. Members thus chosen and convened, together with the pastors, shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor shall it infringe on any of their rights.
2. The letters from the churches shall contain the number then in fellowship and of those batized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded and died since the last Association.

3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

4. Other churches, upon petition by letter and by delegate, and after a satisfactory examination of their Articles of Faith, may be admitted to the body by a unanimous vote, when the Moderator shall give to their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

5. Every church in this Associasion is entitled to one representative, but no church is entitled to more than three.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it may be debated or not.

7. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with copies of its Minutes.

8. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

9. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive sessions, by letter or delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of the churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

10. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

11. Visiting brethren from sister churches, or similar bodies, may be invited to participate in our deliberations.

12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and to the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.

13. This Constitution is subject to alteration by a majority vote of the delegates enrolled at any session.

14. The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Mells' Parliamentary Practice.

FINANCE COMMITTEES TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Colportage.	Total.
Antioch								$ 25		$ 25
Brown's	$ 25 00							1 25		26 25
Bear Swamp	25 00	$1 00	$ 1 00	$ 1 00	$ 1 00	$ 5 00	$ 50	1 00		35 50
Battleboro	20 00			2 20		4 00		1 00		27 20
Bethel	5 00							50		5 50
Crocker's Chapel								50		50
Conoconary								50		50
Corinth	5 00							1 25		6 25
Castalia								50		50
Cypress Chapel								1 00		1 00
Cedar Rock	7 00		1 30		1 20			1 00		10 50
Dawson's	15 00									15 00
Enterprise								25		25
Elm City	10 00			5 00	2 50	2 50		1 00		21 00
Eagle's	5 00			5 00				50		10 50
Ephesus	5 60			50		5 05		1 00		12 15
Elm Grove						2 62		1 00		3 62
Enfield	5 00							25		5 25
Fishing Creek	21 00							90		21 90
Gethsemane	16 00							75		16 75
Greenville	60 00		10 00	10 00		5 25	2 00	1 00		88 25
Gardner's	15 00							1 25		16 25
Hamilton										
Henderson								1 50		1 50
Harris' Chapel	25 00				2 50			1 00		28 50

Hickory	10 00							1 00		11 00
Hobgood	5 00							75		5 75
John's Chapel						1 25		75		2 00
Littleton	20 70							1 00		21 70
Louisburg	100 00			10 00				1 50		111 50
Mt. Hebron										
Middleburg										
Macon	10 00		2 00					50		12 50
Mildred	15 00			2 00		4 41		50		21 91
Mt. Zion	25 00			5 00		3 59	1 76	1 50		36 85
Maple Springs	10 00				8 16			2 00		20 16
New Bethel	10 00	1 00		22 70	5 00	3 00		1 50		43 20
Nashville	8 00							1 00		9 00
New Hope	2 00									2 00
Oak Level	5 00							50		5 50
Pleasant Grove	12 50							1 50		14 00
Philadelphia	12 45		1 00	1 00	5 00			2 50		21 95
Peach Tree	5 00							1 65		6 65
Pactolus										
Pine Forest										65
Poplar Spring	25 00							2 00		27 00
Quankie										
Rehoboth	10 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	2 50	2 85	1 00		28 35
Rocky Mount	25 00							1 00		26 00
Reedy Creek	15 00		1 00	1 00			2 50	1 50		21 00
Rock Spring	5 00								1 50	6 50
Red Bud	6 50	2 00		2 00		3 00	1 24			14 74
Spring Hope				1 00		5 00			75	6 75
Samaria										
Stanhope	1 30				3 00			1 00		5 30
Sharpsburg										
Sandy Creek	17 00							2 00		19 00
Sharon	35 00							1 00		26 00
Stony Creek	10 23		2 75	3 10		3 00	2 00	1 00		22 80
Sulphur Springs	3 20				1 00			50		4 70

FINANCE COMMITTEES TABLE—CONTINUED.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Colportage.	Total.
Social Plains										
Scotland Neck	$ 200 00							$ 2 00		$202 00
Tillery	10 00							50		10 50
Turkey Branch	9 00						$ 10		$ 10	9 60
Tarboro	25 00									25 00
Weldon	25 00							1 00		26 00
Washington	3 25							50		3 75
Warrenton	70 00							2 00		72 00
Williamston								1 75		1 75
Wilson										
Warren Plains	10 00							1 00		11 00
J. R. Pace	5 00									5 00
Plymouth	8 40							50		8 90
C. P. Cheaves	2 50									2 50
Miss S J. Overstreet	5 00									5 00
J. A. Coppedge	1 00									1 00
G. M. Duke	6 75	By	Peach	Tree	Church					6 75
North Rocky Mount								1 00		1 00
J. W. Sledge	5 00									5 00
J. J. Coley	5 00									5 00
B. F. Tillery	5 00									5 00
Bethlehem church	New Church							1 00		1 00
Roanoke Rapids	New Church							50		50
	$ 1.054 38	$ 7 00	$ 22 05	$ 75 50	$ 31 36	$ 50 17	$ 12 95	$ 60 05	$ 2 75	$

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Baptized.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	R. B. Taylor, Veni						2	10	24	..	34
Brown's	S. L. Bobbitt, Axtell	7	1	1	1	..	1	59	77	..	136
Battleboro	R. E. Shearin, Battleboro	6	3	..	1	..	1	29	42	..	71
Bethel	T. R. Bullock, Bethel			..		1	..	7	18	..	25
Bear Swamp	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville	7	1	..	10	1	2	75	89	6	170
Bethlehem	J. E. Hockaday, Kitchen	3	1	..	..	..	1	11	17	..	28
Castalia	J. W. Wheeless, Castalia	..	4	..	3	..	1	13	11	..	24
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope	8	5	..	1	6	..	17	42	3	62
Conoconary	James A. Pope, Crowell's			..	10	48	3	15	33	..	48
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville			..			..	9	13	..	22
Corinth	Albert A. Dement, Ingleside	..	4	..	1	1	2	45	64	..	109
Cedar Rock	John A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	32	3	..	7	..	1	82	79	..	161
Dawson's	W. B. Harris, Dawson's	11	3	..	2	1	..	53	71	..	124
Enterprise	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton			..			..	45	27	..	72
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope			..	3	2	..	24	49	..	73
Eagles	B. F. Eagles, Crisp	3	1	..	1	1	..	13	25	..	38
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	1	3	..	6	..	1	12	25	..	37
Elm Grove	C. H. Baines, Nashville			..	7	2	..	32	87	..	119
Elm City	J. H. Barkley, Elm City	..	3	..	3	2	..	32	50	..	82
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ita	2	10	..	1	1	..	38	48	..	86
Gethsemane	H. H. Roseberry, Whitaker's	2	1	..	..	..	..	20	25	..	45
Greenville	L. W. Lawrence, Greenville	3	7	..	3	6	3	43	76	..	119
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	14	..	..	1	2	1	60	87	..	147
Harris' Chapel	B. Y. Harriss, Essex	5	1	2	3	..	..	29	52	..	81
Henderson	S. S. Parham, Henderson	1	1	..	2	..	2	106	118	..	224
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	8	2	..	..	..	2	9	35	..	44
Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock		4	..	1	..	..	21	41	..	62
Hamilton	T. H. Robertson, Hamilton			..			..	11	35	..	46
John's Chapel	J. C. Underwood, Eatman		2	..	3	..	1	24	39	..	63
Littleton	J. B. Bagley, Littleton	11	3	3	6	1	2	41	65	..	104
Louisburg	T. P. Wilder, Louisburg		2	..	4	..	1	72	90	..	162
Mt. Zion	W. F. Leonard, Laurel	2	..	..	1	..	..	51	105	..	156
Mildred	W. A. Thigpen, Conetoe	6	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	49
Macon	J. H. Nicholson, Macon	4	..	..	..	..	..	7	12	..	19
Maple Spring	J. H. Uzzell, Mapleville	1	9	..	1	..	..	61	80	..	141

Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg						19	22		41
Mt. Hebron	G. T. Gupton, Centerville	11			2	1	1	46	95		141
New Bethel	D. H. Dickie, Epsom	4	2	2	1	9	3	54	132		186
Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville		13				1	18	32		50
New Hope	John H. Vick, Wilson	3	1	1							36
North Rocky Mount	F. C. Ferguson, Rocky Mount	2						9	9		18
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville				1			12	17		29
Peach Tree	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunt's	8			5		4	50	93		143
Pleasant Grove	W. G. Stone, Oakland		2		2	5		49	84		133
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Duke's	11	8	1	4	2	4	80	100		180
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton		5		4	1	1	93	177		270
Pine Forest	D. L. Beach, Everett's	4			1	1		19	36		55
Plymouth											
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus										28
Quankie	J. J. Cullow, Weldon										91
Red Bud	R E Lancaster, Castalia	7	1	3	4	14	4	82	132		214
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	13	4	3				43	77		120
Rehoboth	J. C. Beal, Red Oak	28					1	41	48		89
Rocky Mount											
Roanoke Rapids	W. T. Davis, Roanoke Rapids	4	13		11	4	1				
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek							4	5		9
Sulphur Springs	D. T. Revis, Afton	27		5	4			55	87		142
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Wise		1		6	4	1	21	27		48
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	2		1	6	3	2	42	62		104
Stanhope	O. P. Dickerson, Finch	59	10	1	19	1	3	139	185		224
Sandy Creek	D. E. Aycock, Oswego					1		19	23		42
Stony Creek	T. E. Coley, Rocky Mount	7	4		1	1		109	129		258
Spring Hope	George W. Bunn, Spring Hope	12	3		1		1	29	25		54
Sharpsburg	J. E. Adams, Elm City		1		1			16	26		42
Social Plains		1	1			3	1	5	9		14
Samaria											14
Tarboro	J. W. Ashburne, Tarboro										35
Turkey Branch	W. J. Hordle, Enfield	5	10		1						38
Tillery	B. F. Tillery, Tillery				1	2	1	13	23		36
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton		2		1			14	13		27
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	4	4		3		1	59	83		142
Washington	Thomas J. Latham, Washington		3		2	1	1	32	37		69
Williamston	J. H. Mizzell, Williamston	1	6		1	1	3	11	22		33
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	5	2					11	30		48
Wilson	E. T. Barnes, Wilson		4		5	1	4	59	71		130
		6	13		9		4	74	119		193
		344	174	17	168	79	64	2353	3508	9	6491

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Superintendents and their Post Offices.	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Scholars.	No. Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers taken.	School Expenses.	Orphanage.	Sunday Schools.	Home and Foreign Missions.
Antioch	R. B. Taylor, Veni	6	24	50		$ 1 43			
Brown's	S. L. Bobbitt, Axtell	5	27			1 22			$ 1 50
Battleboro	R. E. Shearin, Battleboro	6	36	100	200	6 00	$ 4 00		
Bethel	T. R. Bullock, Bethel	7	72		70	13 40	4 00		
Bear Swamp	Bat. Bowers, Airlie	7	25			1 98			
Bethlehem	J. E. Pepper, Aurelian Springs	4	61			4 00			
Castalia	S. D. Banhrolaw, Castalia	7	85			10 00			
Cypress Chapel	W. J. Wilder, Spring Hope	5	94			3 00			
Branch, No. 1	W. A. Moore	6	100			5 00			
Branch, No. 2	J. H. Benton	4	45			2 00			
Crocker's Chapel	I. L. Thorn, Nashville	7	35	86		5 10			
Corinth	John G. Falkner, Ingleside	6	70	100	120	16 00	4 00		
Cedar Rock	J. B. Glasgow, Stalling's	14	80	50	80	15 00			
Dawson's	O. C. Stallings, Dawson's	6	57			7 60			
Enterprise	W. H. Bobbitt, Littleton	4	39	53	39	8 00			
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	5	50	100	36	5 00			
Eagle's	W. A. Honeycut, Crisp	6	75		80	7 00			
Enfield		3	39	50	42	12 66			
Elm Grove	A. W. Pippin, Nashville	5	78		45	2 00			
Elm City	D. W. Carter, Elm City	5	40		75	16 00			
Fishing Creek	W. O. Dunn, Ita	7	42						
Gethsemane		6	42	100	50	20 00	75		
Greenville	C. D. Rountree, Greenville	8	80	550	100	37 34	13 35		4 00
Gardner's	J. M. Coleman, Churchill	19	110		110	18 12			
Harris' Chapel	W. E. Mabry, Essex	5	27		24	1 50			
Henderson	T. P. Stewart, Henderson	14	115	75	150	40 00			
Hamilton	F. H. Robertson, Hamilton	5	29	50	50	5 70			

Hobgood	J. T. Elsworth, Hobgood	4	30		40	8 00			
Hickory	Thomas E. Powell, Gold Rock								
John's Chapel	J. W. B. Finch, Glover	4	35	70	30	5 56			
Littleton	Howard Browning, Littleton	9	75		115	27 00			
Louisburg	E. S. Green, Louisburg	8	110		150	50 00			
Mt. Hebron	A. C. Griffin, Argo	10	70						
Mt. Zion	G. W. Cyrus, Laurel	9	79		107	26 00			
Mildred	E. C. Knight, Mildred	5	23	36	204	13 00			
Middleburg	W. H. Kimball, Middleburg	5	12		36	1 20			
Macon	J. L. Coleman, Macon	11	50		55	10 96			
Maple Springs	A. W. Perry, Mapleville	10	80	100	100	18 00	5 00		
Nashville	R. A. P. Cooley, Nashville	7	40			15 00			
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville	7	63		36	2 93			
Pleasant Grove	J. W. Harper, Nashville	5	35			1 00			
Philadelphia	J. F. D. Avent, Duke's	8	75		88	10 10			
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	15	90	100	92	10 00			
Pine Forest	J. A. Whitley, Everett's	5	45	15	10	8 00			
Red Bud	T. S. Collie, Cedar Rock	10	69		58	4 00			5 00
Rock Spring	W. D. Harriss, Louisburg								
Rocky Mount	G. L. Parker, Rocky Mount	9	102		86	35 00			
Reedy Creek	C. J. Neal, Arcola	6	51	25	27	2 55	5 85		
Sulphur Springs	R. E. Aycock		30			3 29			
Sharon	L. E Hicks, Wise	6	27	50	40	5 10		1 20	5 00
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	20	200	800	225	100 00	210 00		
Stanhope	J. S. Boyles, Finch	6	40		42	10 00			
Sandy Creek	W. Burnett, Oswego	13	101		140	15 00			
Stony Creek	N. B. Harper, Rocky Mount	10	48		50	6 00			
Spring Hope	M. A. Griffin, Spring Hope	5	45						
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	8	43	50	60	25 00			
Turkey Branch	G. T. Saunders, Ringwood	4	30			4 20			4 00
Tillery	Paul V. Tillery, Tillery	6	38		65	14 71	2 92		72
Warrenton	J. R. Rodwell, Warrenton	14	95	376	175	68 05			5 00
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	9	74	75	122	32 93	8 43	5 00	
Washington	Thomas J. Latham, Washington	8	20			22 49	6 84		
*Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	13	97	300	153	34 74	6 11		3 46
Wilson	H. E. Thompson, Wilson	12	125	200	100	60 00			
		470	3731	3560	3577	$914 80	$240 15	$6 50	$28 68

*For aged Ministers, $1.15.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Total.
Antioch	$ 30 00			$ 32 00									$ 25	$ 62 25
Brown's	150 00					$ 25 00			$ 5 00		$ 15 00		1 25	196 25
Battleboro	100 00	$ 205 01				20 00		$ 1 96	2 20	$ 1 49	4 00		1 00	335 65
Bethel	25 00	1 25	$ 5 00	40		5 00							50	37 15
Bear Swamp	125 00				10 12	25 00	$ 1 00	1 00	2 60	1 00	5 81	50	1 00	173 03
Bethlehem	28 00			325 00									1 00	354 00
Castalia	50 00												50	50 50
Cypress Chapel	50 00												1 00	51 00
Conoconary													50	50
Crocker's Chapel	30 00			1 87									50	32 37
Corinth	100 00					5 00		1 00		1 00	5 00		1 25	113 25
Cedar Rock	100 00	10 00				7 00		1 30			1 20		1 00	120 50
Dawson's	100 00					15 00	3 00	4 25	1 88		2 72			126 85
Enterprise	30 00		1 50						75		1 00		25	33 50
Ephesus						5 60			50		5 05		1 00	12 15
Eagle's	100 00	5 00				20 00		1 00	5 00		3 15		50	134 65
Enfield	100 00	11 94	21 68			5 00			1 51				25	140 38
Elm Grove											2 62		1 00	3 62
Elm City	100 00	12 00				10 00			5 00	2 50	2 50	1 00	1 00	134 00
Fishing Creek	75 00	9 75				21 00		82		88	3 64	62	90	112 61
Gethsemane	30 00	1 50				15 00		36		1 50			75	49 11
Greenville	450 00	100 00	3 50	35 00	72 00	60 00		10 00	20 00	10 00	11 80	7 00	1 00	770 30
Gardner's	150 00		8 45	10 00	28 95	15 00		4 86	4 26	2 00	12 00	2 26	1 25	238 97
Harris' Chapel	75 00		3 19		12 50	25 00		1 00			4 25		1 00	121 94
Henderson	800 00	99 49	10 73		20 00		46 50	50 66	74 80	90 20	132 00		1 50	1,326 28
Hobgood	25 00		2 67		5 00								75	33 42
Hickory	75 00				2 50	10 00		1 26	3 02	1 22	3 40	1 00	1 00	98 40
Hamilton	100 00	6 97				5 25								112 22
John's Chapel	35 00										1 25		75	37 00
Littleton	225 00	50 00	20 00	15 00	45 00	20 70	11 22	8 85	15 00		13 10	4 06	1 00	428 93
Louisburg	700 00	100 00	55 00		288 00	100 00			25 00				1 00	1,269 00
Mt. Zion	150 00					25 00			5 00		3 59	1 76	1 50	186 85
Mildred	100 00	10 00		30 00		15 00		3 80	2 00		4 41		50	165 71
Macon	100 00	5 00		191 00		22 80		3 67	5 00		8 10	1 00	50	337 07

Maple Spring	150 00	15 00	3 00			15 00		2 50	8 16		5 27		2 00	200 93
Middleburg	100 00					10 00	3 44	3 49	4 64	1 45	1 50		50	125 02
Mt. Hebron	75 00					2 00							1 00	78 00
New Bethel	125 00	6 00				10 00	1 00		53 40	10 00	6 00		1 50	212 90
Nashville						8 00							1 00	9 00
New Hope	30 00					2 00								32 00
North Rocky Mount														
Oak Level	30 00					5 00							50	35 50
Peach Tree			4 00	50 00		10 00							1 65	65 65
Pleasant Grove				28 33		12 50							1 50	42 33
Philadelphia	100 00	5 00				12 45		1 00	1 00		5 00		2 50	126 95
Poplar Springs	150 00	22 59	8 34	100 00	20 00	25 00			10 00		10 00		2 00	347 93
Pine Forest	50 00	20 00		5 00		5 00							65	80 65
Plymouth														
Pactolus														
Quankie														
Red Bud	100 00		12 30			6 50		2 00	2 00		3 00	1 24	1 50	128 04
Rock Spring			4 30			5 00							1 50	10 80
Rehoboth	75 00	3 25	8 25	145 00		10 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	2 85	2 50	1 00	259 85
Roanoke Rapids													50	50
Reedy Creek	100 00				19 05	15 00		1 00	1 00	2 00	11 65	2 50	1 50	154 70
Rocky Mount	480 00	91 45	5 25	105 00	60 00	25 00			8 18		25 66			641 70
Sulphur Springs	60 00	50				3 20				1 00			50	65 20
Sharon	140 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	8 05	25 00	8 95	2 75	3 25	1 50	5 00		1 00	199 25
Scotland Neck	1,000 00	125 00	150 00	65 00	632 50	300 00	25 00	90 00	30 00	257 00	293 50		2 00	2,973 00
Stanhope	60 00					1 30	3 00		13 46	3 00	4 00		1 00	85 76
Sandy Creek						17 00							2 00	19 00
Stony Creek	100 00	3 90		300 00		10 23		2 75	3 10		3 00	2 00	1 00	325 98
Spring Hope	75 00	10 00							1 00		5 00		75	91 75
Sharpsburg													50	50
Samaria														
Social Plains														
Tarboro	250 00	25 00	3 25	10 00		25 00	5 00				5 00			323 25
Turkey Branch	50 00					9 00					50		10	59 60
Tillery	125 00	13 70				10 00		3 43	1 73		7 08		50	161 44
Warrenton	550 00	93 13	12 50		18 76	70 00	10 53	28 70	60 00		254 74	8 00	2 00	1,135 07
Weldon	400 00	23 65	78 00		104 45	50 00	2 50	11 50	6 75	4 00	7 30	2 00	1 00	697 15
Washington	91 07	25 02		614 48		3 25		3 05	3 00				50	740 05
Williamston	300 00												1 75	301 75
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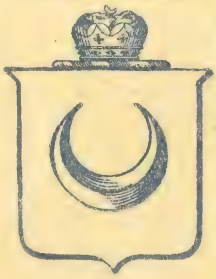

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PROCEEDINGS.

Poplar Spring, Oct. 6th, 1896.

The Tar River Association met with the Church here to-day in its sixty-sixth annual session.

After the singing of a hymn by the choir, the Moderator called the Association to order.

On motion of Bro. Duke that the organization of the body be deferred until after the preaching of the Introductory Sermon, which motion prevailed, and the sermon was preached by J. A. McKaughan. Text, I Tim. 6: 12, Judges 3: 33.

Brother G. M. Duke, the Pastor, extended to the delegates and visitors a most cordial welcome, which was responded to by brother W. B. Morton.

Association adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

The Association re-assembled, and devotional exercises led by brother Rood.

The roll of churches was called and the delegates enrolled as follows:

Antioch—By letter.
Brown's—J. W. Smithwick, J. H. Burroughs, D. H. Revis.
Bethel—By letter.
Battleboro—T. D. Wright.
Bear Swamp—By letter.
Bethlehem—
Castalia—S. W. Kittrell.
Cypress Chapel—E. W. Moore, W. A. Moore, G. C. McGregor.
Conoconary—J. A. Pope.
Crocker's Chapel—E. H. Crocker.
Corinth—
Cedar Rock—R. D. Bowen, Ed. Parish.
Dawson's—J. H. Pope.
Enterprise—Henry Faucett, Fletcher Bobbitt, J. F. Neal.
Ephesus—W. W. Batchelor, W. W. Lester, Ferrall Lamb.
Eagles—W. A. Honeycutt, W. F. Eagles.
Enfield—J. A. McKaughan.

Elm Grove—P. R. Batchelor, W. J. Batchelor, A. W. Pippin.
Elm City—I. C. Coley.
Fishing Creek—Jake Alford, Peter Alford.
Gethsemane—Letter.
Greenville—L. W. Laurence, D. J. Wichard, J. J. Cherry.
Gardner's—J. M. Colman, H. E. Rodwell, R. D. Fleming, Jr.
Harris' Chapel—T. P. Harris, Henry Qualls.
Henderson—J. H. Lassiter, Thomas Steward, J. Wester.
Hobgood—J. R. Pace.
Hickory—S. N. Edwards, W. S. Dosier, Ellis Edwards.
Hamilton—
John's Chapel—J. T. Braggs, C. C. Finch.
Littleton—J. T. Edmundson, John Jackson Edmundson.
Louisburg—G. H. Cooper, A. W. Green, Josiah Crudup.
Mt. Zion—J. A. Andrews, W. T. Cooper.
Mildred—T. J. Crisp, E. C. Knight, Henry Mayo.
Macon—J. J. Nicholson, J. J. Shearin.
Maple Spring—J. H. Uzzle, J. R. Rogers, D. Thorirgton.
Middleburg—By letter
Mt. Hebron—A. A. Hicks, J. S. Shearin, E. C. Denton.
New Bethel—A. H. Frazier, G. T. Askew, O. F. Stainback.
Nashville—W. C. Nowell.
New Hope—W. H. White, B. Carter.
North Rocky Mount—J. K. Howell.
Oak Level—T. A. Boné, C. J. Williford, J. W. Bone.
Peach Tree—Thomas Gay, A. H. Edwards, J. O. Bowden.
Pleasant Grove—W. A. Hinton, J. W. Winston.
Philadelphia—M. S. Griffin, T. Z. Griffin, G. V. Frazier.
Poplar Spring—C. J. Pippin, J. C. White, J. C. Mullins.
Pine Forest—
Plymouth—T. T. Wooten, W. J. Jackson
Pactolus—
Quankie—Letter.
Red Bud—T. S. Colley, E. P. Pierce, A. P. Murphy.
Rock Spring---W. D. Harris, B. F. Wilder, Z. L. Cheaves.
Rocky Mount---E. W. Shearin, H. J. Hester, W. V. Spiers.
Red Oak---Tom Edwards.
Roanoke Rapids---Letter.
Reedy Creek---J. M. Hamm, C. N. Riggan.
Sulphur Springs---J. A. Shepherd, D. T. Revis, Foster Jones.
Sharon---J. H. Hicks, D. P. Hicks, J. T. Edmundson.
Scotland Neck---R. T. Vann, E. E. Hilliard, S. W. Edwards.
Stanhope---S. R. Pearce, Thomas Westry, C. C. Pearce.
Sandy Creek---Ed. Aycock, W. G. Gupton, Berry Collins.
Stony Creek---G. W. Coley, E. T. Griffin, E. T. Barkley.
Spring Hope---J. T. Fulford.
Sharpsburg---L. A. Lloyd.
Samaria---D. S. Cone, A. Bryan, A. T. Taylor.
Social Plains---H. B. Hagwood, J. T. Alford, B. G. Alford.
Tarboro---W. V. Savage.
Turkey Branch---Letter.
Tillery---J. A. McKaughan.
Warrenton---R. D. Fleming, T. T. Taylor, N. L. Shaw.
Weldon---R. G. Kendrick, W. B. Dickens.

Washington---J. O. Alderman.
Williamston---
Warren Plains---
Wilson---J. A. Rood, Linsey Moye, C. E. Blount.

The delegates being enrolled, the Association was permanently organized by electing N. L. Shaw Moderator; E. E. Hilliard, Vice-Moderator; A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer.

Brethren W. V. Savage, W. B. Morton and E. T. Barkley were appointed a Committee on Order of Business.

The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren, which was accepted by brethren J. B. Boone and Ivey Allen, General Manager and Treasurer of the Orphanage, and brother E. S. Pearce of Bethel Hill. He also welcomed the pastors who have settled among us since our last meeting, and brethren J. A. Rood, R. G. Kendrick, J. A. Edmundson, J. O. Alderman and E. D. Wells made brief responses.

Brother Taylor moved that a committee be appointed to examine the Covenant, Articles of Faith, &c., of new churches making application for admission into this body, which motion prevailed, and brethren T. J. Taylor, G. M. Duke and J. O. Alderman were appointed.

Pastor and Deacons of this church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises.

Report on Aged Ministers was called for, and the report was read by J. W. Powell.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS.

Our Board for the Relief of Aged Ministers is located at Durham, N. C.

Heretofore but little has been done by the churches: but little more than ½ cent per capita was given by the churches of this Association last year. We should do more for this cause. It is the only Board in our Association or State based upon pure charity, where our contributions are made without any hope of return therefrom to our denomination. We, therefore, recommend that the ministers of this Association he *urgently* requested to present this cause before their churches, and take up at least one collection per year for it.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. POWELL.

Report was discussed by brethren Powell, Morton

and Savage. Report adopted, and a cash collection, amounting to $10.25, was taken for said object.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher was appointed, consisting of brethren T. J. Taylor, J. A. Coppege and A. H. Frazier.

Association adjourned until to-morrow morning 9:30 o'clock. Benediction by Bro. J. T. Edmundson.

WEDNESDAY, 9:30 o'clock.

Association met and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, led by brother J. T. Edmundson.

Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and adopted.

Committee on New Churches made their report, which was adopted, and the delegates from Marmaduke—M. T. Duke and S. W. Duke—and from Halifax, J. T. Edmundson, received the right-hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

The hour for special order having arrived, the report on Orphanage was read by brother W. V. Savage for the chairman, who was absent.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We have every reason to be gratified for the good that has already been done and the progress thus far made in our orphan work.

The wisdom of establishing the orphan home at Thomasville has been abundantly justified. To awaken still deeper interest in this work, and to secure yet larger blessings from it, we beg to submit to you the following facts:

1. While there is now room in the Orphanage for only a hundred and twenty children, the applications have been so numerous and so urgent that the General Manager has felt compelled to crowd in twenty more than that number, making a total of a hundred and forty now present.

2. While the Masonic Orphanage at Oxford is mainly supported by the State, and the Odd Fellows' Orphanage at Goldsboro is mainly supported by the regular dues from the members of that fraternity, our own Orphanage must be, and ought to be, supported by voluntary contributions.

3. The cost of feeding, clothing, schooling and caring for a child in our Orphanage is about $80 a year, while the average cost per child in the Oxford Orphanage is nearly one hundred and twenty dollars per year, or about double that of ours.

4. In all the Homes for children in North Carolina there are now

about five hundred orphans, while from an estimate based on the number in one community, there are at least five thousand helpless and homeless white children in our State.

5. Of these five thousand orphans at least one-half belong to Baptist families. So that we are now caring for only about one out of every sixteen of the children of our dead brethren.

6. On September 15th work was begun on the Central Building, which is designed to be a general school room and assembly hall. When this house is finished there will be room for eighty other children, whose education will add almost nothing to the general expense. The brick have all been burned, and one hundred and fifty barrels of lime and most of the lumber are now on the ground. But over and above pledges and money in sight for this building, there is still lacking about fifteen hundred dollars, which ought to be immediately raised.

Your committee would urge that each Sunday-school in the Association resolve to set apart some Sunday in each month for collection to the Orphanage, and that some definite amount be aimed at in each collection. With a little effort the schools could average $2.50 each month, which would mean an income from the Sunday-schools in this Association of some eighteen hundred dollars a year.

N. BIGGS.

Brother J. B. Boone, General Manager, and brother R. T. Vann made addresses, after which a collection in cash and pledges was taken as follows:

Warrenton	$20 00	Maple Spring	5 00
G. M. Duke (paid $5)	10 00	Mrs. John Baker	3 00
J. T. Edmundson	10 00	Spring Hope	3 00
J. A. McKaughan	10 00	Hickory	2 50
J. D. Hufham	10 00	Elm City	3 00
W. B. Morton	10 00	Nashville	2 00
Scotland Neck	10 00	T. D. Wright (paid)	1 00
Louisburg	20 00	Sandy Creek	1 00
R. G. Kendrick	10 00	W F Gay	2 00
Mrs. L. W. Bagley	10 00	Mrs. Mullins (paid)	1 00
Fletcher Bobbitt	5 00	Cypress Chapel	1 00
J. H. Pope (paid)	5 00	A. G. Willcox	5 00
Stony Creek (paid 2)	5 00	Samaria (paid)	1 50
Poplar Spring	5 00	Red Oak	5 00
Warren Plains	5 00	Hat	21 98
W. V. Savage	5 00	Mrs. Pippin	10
Rock Spring	5 00		
Red Bud	5 00	Total	$208 08

Report adopted.

Visiting brethren invited to seats and accepted by brethern J. W. Bailey, Editor of Recorder; B. W. Spilman, Secretary Sunday School Mission Board; John E. Ray, former Secretary Baptist State Convention, was heartily welcomed. Brother Hufham

was heartily welcomed, and brother T. T. Wooten of Plymouth.

At 11:45 the report on Associational Missions was read by brother T. J. Taylor, and, on motion of brother W. V. Savage, the discussion was deferred until the afternoon session.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the past associational year our twelve faithful missionaries have vigorously prosecuted the work in destitute sections of this Association. Twenty-nine places have been regularly supplied with the preaching of the Gospel by these consecrated men, and occasional services have been rendered at other destitute points.

We feel greatly encouraged at the result of the labors of our missionaries during the past year, and are desirous that every destitute neighborhood in our bounds should have the Gospel preached in it by our missionaries, and they should occupy every really destitute section, but no mission work should be undertaken in the neighborhood of the churches already established that would likely result in the organization of a new church, unless there is some special necessity therefor.

Brother J. T. Edmundson has received on his field 41 by baptism and 5 by letter. The outlook is good.

Brother J. K. Howell has faithfully preached the Word at the Falls of Tar River. Twenty-five or thirty have professed faith in Christ. The outlook is encouraging.

Brother A. J. Willcox has vigorously pressed the work on his field. Twenty-three have been baptized and received by letter, and the work is prospering in his hands. He needs immediate help to enable him to lift a heavy debt from the little church at Roanoke Rapids. At this point the work should be immediately and vigorously pressed, or this important field will pass out of our hands.

Brother J. O. Alderman has faithfully labored at Washington during the past six months. Two have been baptized and five received by letter. He feels encouraged.

Brother J. A. McKaughan reports progress on his field. Thirty-six have been baptized, and twelve have been received by letter. Contributions have been doubled.

Brother J. R. Pace has occupied seven stations, and has had a good degree of success. He is greatly encouraged in his work.

Brother J. W. Sledge has baptized five at Crocker's Chapel, and organized a church at Marmaduke, where he has baptized six and received twenty by letter. He is greatly encouraged in his work.

Bro. J. W. Powell is faithfully engaged in doing foundation work.

Brother W. V. Savage has an important field which he is faithfully cultivating.

Brother L. A. Lloyd is earnestly pressing the work at Sharpsburg and New Hope.

Brother R. G. Kendrick has had charge of our work at Macon for the past three months. He has baptized ten, received by letter nine, and the church has more than double its membership since he came among them. The outlook at Macon is very encouraging.

During the past eighteen years the Association has vigorously

pushed this important work. Eighteen years ago we had about 25 churches, and about 2,000 members. We now have 77 churches and more than 6,000 members. This wonderful growth has been largely the result of our missionary efforts. Much has been done, but there remaineth very much land to be possessed. Let us go up and possess it, for we are well able.

T. J. TAYLOR.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by brother Hufham. The chair appointed the Executive Committee for next year, consisting of brethren G. M. Duke, E. E. Hilliard, T. J. Taylor, J. A Coppedge, M. T. Duke, W. B. Morton, and, by a special motion, the Moderator was added.

Also committee to select delegates to State and Southern Baptist Conventions: Brethren J. K. Howell, J. R. Pace, J. W. Smithwick.

The subject of Associational Missions was resumed, and remarks were made by brethren W. V. Savage, J. R. Pace, J. D. Hufham, and T. J. Taylor, after which the roll was called, and the following pledges were made:

Scotland Neck	$200	Cedar Rock	15
Louisburg	100	Enterprise	15
Henderson	50	Enfield	15
Warrenton	50	New Bethel	15
Sharon	40	Gethsemane	15
Rocky Mount	35	Harris' Chapel	15
Poplar Spring	35	Mount Zion	15
Plymouth	35	Reedy Creek	15
Brown's	30	Red Oak	15
Weldon	30	New Bethel	15
Dawson's	25	Ephesus	10
Fishing Creek	25	Hickory	10
Greenville	25	Hamilton	10
Philadelphia	25	Mildred	10
Williamston	25	Middleburg	10
Tarboro	25	Macon	10
Maple Spring	25	Nashville	10
Battleboro	20	Pactolus	10
Elm City	20	Quankie	10
Gardner's	20	Red Bud	10
Littleton	20	Roanoke Rapids	10
Littleton Aid So. Bap. ch.	20	Washinton	10
Tillery	20	Warren Plains	10
Sandry Creek	17		

Stony Creek	$ 12	50	J A Pope	5	
Samaria	10	50	M S Griffin	5	
Wilson	10		J T Edmundson	5	
Rock Spring	10		R G Kendrick	5	
North Rocky Mount	10		J H Hagwood	5	
Littleton Sunday-school	10		A A Pippin	5	
Pine Forest	7	50	A J Taylor	5	
John's Chapel	7		D T Smithwick	5	
Stanhope	7		E M Shearin	5	
Bethel	5		M V Cheaves	5	
Bethlehem	5		J O Alderman	5	
Castalia	5		George Cooper	5	
Crocker's Chapel	5		Berry Collins	3	
Corinth	5		S R Duke	3	
Eagles	5		W S Dosier	3	
Elm Grove	10		E T Barkley	2	50
Hobgood	5		G W Coley	2	50
Oak Level	5		T F Bowen	2	50
Peach Tree	5		L A Lloyd	5	00
Spring Hope	5		C T Cheaves	2	50
Halifax	5		Jake Alford	2	50
Pleasant Grove	5		W H White	2	
Sulphur Springs	3		John J Edmundson	2	
Social Plains	2	50	N C Alford	2	
Mount Hebron	2		S R Griffin	2	
New Hope	1	50	Thomas Gay	2	
Stanhope	1		W C Nowell	2	
G M Duke	45		J W Stokes	1	
J D Hufham	25		E W Moore	1	
N L Shaw	20		J H Burroughs	1	
J W Sledge	10		E S Pearce	1	
W R Cullom	10		B F Wilder	1	
R T Vann	10		R D Bowden	1	
A G Willcox	10		Cash	3	71
S W Edwards	6				
T R Pace	6		Total	$1617	71
J A McKaughan	6				

Report adopted, and, by motion of brother Hufham, the doxology was sung and a prayer of thanksgiving offered for the successful collection, and the speedy recovery of brother Noah Biggs, who was confined at his home by sickness. Moderator called on brother Hufham, who led the prayer.

Committee on Time and Place reported:

That the next session of this body be held with Stony Creek church, commencing at 11 o'clock A M on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1997; Elder J A Rood to preach the introductory sermon, Elder R G Kendrick, alternate.

T J TAYLOR,
I A COPPEGE, } *Committee*
A H FRAZIER,

Report on Sunday-schools was read by brother John Coppedge, and discussed by brother Spilman, after which it was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

Progress is our motto in this work; our aim to bring the young people to Christ.

A live, progressive school indicates a church that can be depended upon for Christian work: no school, an inactive, lifeless (almost a God-forsaken church). Hence the necessity for a good, thoroughly organized school in every Baptist church and community in North Carolina. On this depends, in a large measure, the success of every department of our church work. Would that every church in our Association would undertake to have a good school under its supervision.

In 1895 there were 62 churches reporting Sunday-schools: there were 470 officers and teachers, 3,731 scholars, and 3,377 quarterlies taken. There was raised for the different objects in the schools $952.38. There were 75 churches in the Association, 13 of them not reporting or having no school. I have gathered up to this writing from the letters some partial information: 59 churches reported 55 schools, officers and teachers 467, scholars 2,771, quarterlies taken about 3,000, money raised for the different objects about $800.

We urge the clerks of the churches in this Association to make a careful and full report of schools in their churches, reporting the conversions from the schools. We also admonish the schools of this Association to buy all of their Sunday-school supplies from the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh, N. C.

We suggest that each school take up one collection each month for the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville.

Respectfully, JOHN A. COPPEDGE.

Brother Hufham read the report on State Missions.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

This department of our work lies at the basis of all the others.

To neglect or be indifferent to the home field is to disregard the precepts of our Lord and the spirit and example of the Apostles. It was thirteen years after our Lord's ascension before the work of evangelizing the heathen commenced. Our Lord called Paul and Barnabas to the work of foreign missions; he also called Peter and John and James to the work of home missions. To the last Paul was profoundly interested in the work at home.

It is pleasant to know that during the year now drawing to a close the brethren generally have manifested a larger degree of interest than usual in this department of our work. The pledges of the past year have been paid, and pledges for the coming year are larger than they were last year. This is highly encouraging, when we consider the short crops and the financial stringency of the times.

Nearly one hundred missionaries have been at work in different

parts of the field, and God has greatly blessed the labors of these men.

Let us lay these facts to heart and strive to increase our own gifts. COMMITTEE.

Brother John E. Ray ably discussed the report, and, by motion of brother Hufham, the report was amended by requesting each pastor to take at least one collection a year for State Missions. Adopted as amended.

Moderator appointed the following brethren to write on stated subjects:

On Sunday-schools—T. B. Wilder.
On Aged Ministers—E. D. Wells.
On Obituaries—W. C. Nowell.
On State Missions—W. V. Savage.
On Home Missions—J. O. Atkerman.
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On Periodicals—E. E. Hilliard.

Association adjourned. Benediction by brother Cullom.

THURSDAY MORNING, 9:30 o'clock.

Association convened and spent half an hour in praise and prayer service, led by Bro. Wooten.

Report on Periodicals was read by brother Kendrick, and was ably discussed by brethren Bailey and Hufham, and adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The growth of the press in power and influence within recent years is everywhere recognized. It stands next to the pulpit itself. This is a day of newspapers and magazines, both religious and secular, and he who would be well informed must be a reader of the same. Our people need to have the importance as well as the duty of providing their homes with the *best* religious literature, for there is a manifest indifference on the part of *all* religious people to the reading of sound religious papers. Nor do we, as Baptists, fully appreciate the value of Baptist periodicals in promoting the cause of Baptists and in informing our people upon the general work of the denomination.

In view of this, your committee begs leave to bring to the attention of the Association some of the papers that will best inform our people on the different objects fostered by Southern Baptists.

In the interests of missions—Home and Foreign—the Mission Journal is published at Richmond, Va.; as the organ of the young people's movement the Young People's Leader is published at Nashville, Tenn.; and for use in Sunday-schools, our Board at Nashville publishes a complete series of lesson quarterlies and helps.

In the furtherance of our denomination in our own State the Biblical Recorder, the organ adopted by the state Convention, is preeminent. It easily ranks among the best papers in the South. It is ably edited, sound in theology, and is a fearless defender of Baptist principles. Yet there are other papers in the State that deserve a mention in this report and merit a share of Baptist patronage.

We commend Charity and Children, published in the interest of the Thomasville Orphanage, the institution that is doing such a noble work in caring for and training for lives of usefulness so many orphans who would otherwise be thrown upon the charity of the world.

Nor should we fail to mention the Wake Forest Student, the monthly issued by the Literary Societies of Wake Forest College. It has won its way to the head of the list of college papers in the South, if not in the North. As an advertiser of Wake Forest College, it has perhaps done more than any other agency employed. It should not, therefore, appeal in vain to the alumni and friends of the College for support.

Each of these papers is a true exponent of the cause it represents, and as good as any of the kind in the land, and have a right to appeal to Baptists for support.

Respectfully submitted. R. O. Kendrick, Jr.

Report on Ministerial Education was called for, and was read by brother E. E. Hilliard, who, with brother Vann, followed the report with able addresses, after which a small cash collection, amounting to $5.98 was taken.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The quick step of progress that characterizes all real work of the age, demands that men be alert to every interest which God commits to their hands. As the years roll on and hurry us into new fields of enterprise of a thousand kinds, it becomes more and more necessary that the world's workers should work intelligently.

There has never been a time since God said, "Let there be light," when the world needed greater light of general intelligence than it needs to-day; and this applies to no people with more force than to the people of America. It is plain to any student of current history that God has planned, and is still planning, that the people of this country shall do great things, and attain unto developments of which men even in this bustling age have not yet dreamed.

To do this, we need the greatest possible lever of power, which is knowledge.

The demand for educated men and women is constantly increasing, not that they may get easy places in the world, but that they

may fill the places of trust and responsibility which crowd about us in every field of human endeavor.

As a denomination, we have every opportunity desirable for the encouragement of young men and young women to fully equip themselves by education for the best work of which they are capable.

Then, let us see to it that we stand by our denominational schools and colleges, and lose no opportunity for urging our young men and young women to equip themselves under the influences of these institutions, where facilities for general training are as good as the best, and where the truth of the Bible is held and taught as we believe it.

Respectfully submitted, E. E. HILLIARD.

The following pledges were made to this object:

Brown's	$ 5 00	Red Bud	2 00
Lawson's	3 50	Sulphur Springs	1 00
Enterprise	2 50	Sharon	5 00
Enfield	3 00	Scotland Neck	50 00
Gardner's	5 00	Spring Hope	1 00
Henderson	25 00	Tillery	5 00
Littleton	5 00	Warrenton	25 00
Louisburg	20 00	Weldon	10 00
Mount Zion	2 00	Warren Plains	5 00
Maple Spring	2 00	Halifax	1 00
North Rocky Mount	2 00	John T. Sledge	25 00
Philadelphia	2 50		
Poplar Spring	5 00	Total	$217 50
Plymouth	5 00		

Report adopted.

Finance Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, the Finance Committee of the Tar River Association, beg leave to report that we have received as follows, to-wit:

For Associational Missions	$668 91
Cash " "	23 51
For State Missions	38 60
For Home Missions	20 22
For Foreign Missions	71 70
For Education	34 74
For Orphanage	39 09
For Aged Ministers	7 00
For Minute Fund	64 76

Respectfully submitted, W. A. MOORE, R. B. GILLIAM, E. W. SHEARIN, *Com.*

In settlement we find our cash short $3.53 of the amount reported from different churches, and we recommend that this amount be deducted from Associational Missions.

This was done.

NOTE.—The Clerk finds in counting the money that only fifty-three cents is short.

Treasurer of Executive Committe and Treasurer of Association offered their reports, which were referred to brother E. E. Hilliard to audit, who reported:

I have examined the accounts of N. Biggs, Treasurer Executive Committee, and A. G. Willcox, Treasurer of Association, and find them correct. E. E. HILLIARD, *Auditor.*

Reports adopted.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, In account with NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*
1896.

To cash paid	J. W. Powell, Edgecombe county	$	100 00
" " "	J. W. Sledge, Warren county,		30 00
" " "	A. G. Willcox, Rapids		125 00
" " "	T. A. Lloyd, Nash county		25 00
" " "	E. J. Edwards, Martin county		37 50
" " "	J. R. Pace, Edgecombe county		100 00
" " "	J. K. Howell, North Rocky Mount		50 00
" " "	C. M. Billings, Pitt county		12 50
" " "	J. T. Edmundson, Halifax and Enfield		115 00
" " "	J. O. Alderman, Washington		58 31
" " "	D. B. Rickard, Martin and Halifax		40 00
" " "	R. G. Kendrick, Macon		16 65
" " "	G. L. Finch, Martin county		12 50
" " "	W. V. Savage, Edgecombe county		175 00
" " "	J. A. McKaughan, Halifax and State Farm		75 00
		$	972 46

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By amount from	Association	$1,054 00	
" " "	Enfield	2 00	
" " "	Williamston	7 00	
" " "	Hamilton	5 25	
" " "	Williamston	4 18	
" " "	A. G. Willcox	12 50	
		$1,084 93	
Balance in treasury to date			112 47

I have examined the account of N. Biggs, Treasurer of the Executive Board of Tar River Association, and find it correct.
Oct. 8, 1896. E. E. HILLIARD.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, In account with A. G. WILLCOX, *Dr.*
Oct., 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Finance Com. for State Missions	$	7 00
" for Home Missions		22 05
" for Foreign Missions		75 50
" for Aged Ministers		12 95
" for Colportage		2 75
" for Minutes		60 05
Cash collection for Aged Ministers		11 05
" " for Education		14 75
" " for Orphanage		97 21
Received of Mt. Hebron ch. for Asso. Missions		2 00
" " for Minutes		1 00
" from Wilson for Minutes		2 00
" from Middleburg ch. for Asso'l Missions		10 00
" " " State Missions,		3 44
" " " Home Missions,		3 49
" " " Foreign Miss'ns		4 64
" " " Education		1 45
" " " Orphanage		1 50
" from Sharpsburg for Minutes		50
Professor Davis for school advertisement		7 50
Total receipts	$	340 83

AMOUNTS PAID OUT.

To balance due Treasurer at last session	$ 11 36	
" amount paid J. D. Boushall for State Missions	7 00	
" " " " " Home Missions.	22 05	
" " " " " Foreign "	75 50	
" " " " " Aged Ministers	12 95	
Cash collection to J. D. Boushall " "	11 05	
To amount paid " for Colportage	2 75	
Paid John Mitchell (cash collection) for Education	14 75	
" J. B. Boone " " for Orphanage.	97 21	
" J. D. Boushall for State Miss., Middleburg ch.	3 44	
" " for Home " "	3 49	
" " for For. " "	4 64	
" " for Education "	1 45	
" " for Orphanage "	1 50	
" Edwards & Broughton, printing Minutes	43 75	
" Clerk's fee	25 00	
" for Stationary and mailing manuscript	40	
" for Blank Church Letters and mailing same	95	
" Noah Biggs for Asso. Missions, Middleburg ch.	10 00	
" " " " " Mt. Hebron	2 00	
Total amount paid out		$ 351 24
Balance due		$ 10 41

Respectfully submitted, A. G. WILLCOX.

I have examined the foregoing account of A. G. Willcox, Treasurer of the Association, and find it correct.

Oct. 8th, 1896. E. E. HILLIARD.

Committee to nominate delegates to Baptist State and Southern Baptist Conventions reported as follows:

To Baptist State Convention—N. Biggs, N. L. Shaw, W. E. Bowers, A. G. Willcox, L. W. Bagley, J. D. Hufham, G. M. Duke, W. V. Savage, J. W. Powell, R. T. Vann, E. E. Hilliard, Walter Allen, G. W. Coppedge, J. W. Sledge, W. C. Nowell, W. B. Morton, J. W. Stokes, W. E. Daniel, J. A. Rood, J. A. McKaughan, R. G. Kendrick, J. T. Edmundson.

To Southern Baptist Convention—T. J. Taylor.

Adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

Prayer by brother Howell.

Brother Taylor offered the following resolution, which passed:

That each station aided by our Board take regular collections for the different objects.

Brother G. M. Duke read the report on Home Missions.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is located at Atlanta, Ga. Its Secretary is our dear brother Tichenor. Its field of work is among the destitute in the Southern States, Indian Territory and Cuba.

It is called Home Missions to distinguish it from the work of the Foreign Mission Board and the work of the State Conventions and Associations in its work in connection with these latter Boards.

The work this Board has done in the past and the outlook for the future show the wisdom of its origin as well as the necessity for its continued existence. It has in its employ more than 300 missionaries. More than 100 of these are in the state of Texas, where a good work has been done. The work in Cuba reads almost as a chapter from the Act of the Apostles. The work there, however, has been seriously interrupted by the war now going in the island.

From as careful a survey as your committee has been enabled to take of the entire field, he concludes that the outlook is hopeful.

This Association contributed last year to this Board $250.46.

The success that has attended the work of the Home Mission Board in the past, its present work, and the outlook for the future, merit the continuance of our confidence, prayers and contributions.

Your committee would, therefore, again recommend that at least one collection a year be taken in all of our churches for this object, and that we again assure the missionaries and members of this board of our hearty sympathy and sincere prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. Duke.

The report was ably discussed by brethren Hufham, Vann and Wooten, and adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions was called for and read by brother J. A. McKaughan.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our work in reference to preaching the Gospel is plainly and positively set before us in the divine injunction, Mark 16: 15, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The limits of our work are circumscribed, "all the world," "to every creature," and we are told definitely what to do, "preach the gospel," and our individual duty is also specified, "Go ye." God's spirit has illuminated the word of God with such a bright light that the churches are beginning to comprehend the great purpose of God to save the world by his gospel, preached by his servants: and the spirit of knowledge, love and zeal has stimulated many of his servants to activity in the Foreign Mission work.

In so far as we have been obedient to the command to give the gospel, God has richly blessed us, saved souls, and enlarged the work. Nation after nation, who were in darkness and without the gospel, has been opened for us to enter with the gospel.

The opportunities for preaching the gospel and the need for send- it were never so great as now. Neander made a true prophecy, in 1850, just before his death, when he said: "It is a great step towards the Christianization of our planet if Christianity gains admittance into China." The Lord, by his leadings, has opened China to Christianity, together with Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico and Brazil.

Under God the leaven has been carried by our beloved Yates and others, and it now becomes our duty to work the leaven that it may increase and grow until the whole lump is leavened, until all nations shall feel the saving power of Jesus Christ. What we have done for the Lord's cause in these dark countries has produced such growth as to encourage our doing far more in the future.

Our Association ought to take a forward step in this great work. In many respects we are in advance of other Associations, but we are behind in this work. God has blessed us largely in all departments of our work. Our stakes are being strengthened. Now let us reach out that our cords may be lengthened.

Gratitude and love to God for what He has done for our cause and our souls should move us to make larger offerings to his cause, that lost souls may be saved.

We recommend: 1st, that this Association try to raise $500.00 for Foreign Missions during next year; 2d, that the delegates and pastors present this object to their churches and appoint a day during the year to consider this subject; and we refer them to the Baptist Book Store at Raleigh for literature needed.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. McKAUGHAN,
Committee.

Brother N. L. Chappel, our returned missionary from China, was introduced to the body, who made

an able and interesting address, and brother Morton also, after which the report was adopted.

Report on Obituaries was read by brother Morton, and after some touching remarks by this brother, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

The memory of our dead is a sacred legacy which we fondly cherish and love to preserve. For this cause we cheerfully devote a page annually in the history of our struggles and triumphs as a monument upon which to inscribe their names.

The number of those who have died during this associational year is so large and the space is so limited that I can scarcely do more than mention the names of men and women who are worthy of our highest praise.

It is with sadness that I mention the names of brethren A. C. Stallings, W. B. Coppedge, Sr., Sherod Sledge, Wm. Bell, T. J. Bunting, H. C. Hagwood, I. B. Hagwood, J. S. Neal, C. N. F. Ellen, O. Woods, Wm. Spier, D. C. Thrower, John H. Upperman, Jr., Kayzer Alford, John D. Shearin, Wm. E. Aaron, N. D. Brickle, Dr. John A. Gohagan, Dennis O. Frazier, Zachariah Perkinson, Robert Perkinson, Deacon Geo. W. B. Blount, Rev. J. G. Barkley and Rev. G. W. Harman.

Also, sisters M. A. Clark, Kate Brinkley, O. P. Cone, Cora Arnold, Elizabeth Arnold, W. C. Bass, Minalva Gupton, Mahala Benton, Ellen Spears, Wade Pearson, Amanda Harper, Mary Johnson, Alice Allen, Bettie Marks, Sue Whiles, Primmie Finch, Sallie J. Coleman, B. F. Briggs, W. B. Harris and Hattie Mitchell Parham.

These all died in the faith and have gone from the church militant to the church triumphant to render a continued and perfected service.

W. B. MORTON.

Resolution of thanks by brother Hilliard passed unanimously:

Resolved, That this body tender a vote of thanks to Poplar Spring church, and community generally, for the bounteous hospitality and many courtesies shown during the present session.

Bro. Hilliard moved that a committee be appointed to write on temperance, which motion prevailed, and Bro. Vann was appointed to write.

The Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of Minutes printed and sent to the churches and to receive the usual compensation.

While the choir sang, "God be with you till we meet again," the parting hand was taken, and brother Duke dismissed us with prayer; and thus ended one of our happiest and most successful meetings.

The Moderator declared the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Stony Creek, Nash county, Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1897.

N. L. SHAW, MODERATOR.

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it best to be governed by certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted, unless he violate some rule of decorum.
4. The person speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject, and in nowise reflect on any other brother.
5. No brother shall absent himself from the Association without obtaining permission from the body.
6. No brother shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without unanimous consent.
7. No person shall whisper while a brother is speaking.
8. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called as often as the Association requires.
9. The Moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but is entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
10. An order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session, and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the churches, who shall produce letters certifying their appointment. Members thus chosen and convened, together with the pastors, shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor shall it infringe on any of their rights.

2. The letters from the churches shall contain the number then in fellowship and of those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded and died since the last Association.

3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

4. Other churches, upon petition by letter and by delegate, and after a satisfactory examination of their Articles of Faith, may be admitted to the body by a unanimous vote, when the Moderator shall give to their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

5. Every church in this Association is entitled to one representative, but no church is entitled to more than three.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it may be debated or not.

7. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with copies of its Minutes.

8. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

9. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive sessions, by letter or delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of the churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

10. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

11. Visiting brethren from sister churches, or similar bodies, may be invited to participate in our deliberations.

12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and to the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.

13. This Constitution is subject to alteration by a majority vote of the delegates enrolled at any session.

14. The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

NUMERICAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Clerks and Post Offices.	Baptized.	Received by letter.	Restored.	Dis. by letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	....	1	....	1	1	1	....	....	.....	35
Bethlehem	J. E. Hockaday, Kitchen	6	1	....	....	....	....	16	19	.....	35
Brown's	S. S. Abernathy, Axtel	1	4	....	5	2	2	54	78	.....	132
Bethel	W. A. Knox, Bethel	....	3	....	....	....	....	8	21	.....	29
Bear Swamp	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville	6	1	....	2	....	3	76	87	4	167
Battleboro	R. E. Shearin, Battleboro	....	2	....	4	3	1	23	41	.....	64
Conoconary	James A. Pope, Crowell's	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	38	3	48
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope	8	1	....	....	1	1	18	49	.....	70
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	6	....	....	....	....	....	12	17	.....	29
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	....	4	....	2	2	1	73	81	.....	154
Castalia	J. W. Wheeless, Castalia	2	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	33
*Corinth	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	109
Dawson's	J. D. Lawrence, Dawson's	....	4	....	....	....	2	58	79	.....	137
Enterprise	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton	23	5	....	4	....	1	37	58	.....	95
Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	15	4	....	5	....	....	21	31	.....	52
Elm Grove	C. H. Baines, Nashville	10	....	3	6	2	1	33	88	.....	121
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	7	....	2	2	2	....	28	50	.....	78
Eagles	B. F. Eagles, Crisp	4	....	1	2	3	....	12	26	.....	38
Elm City	J. H. Barkley, Elm City	....	4	....	2	1	....	36	49	.....	85
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ita	....	....	1	1	2	....	35	47	.....	82
Greenville	L. W. Lawrence, Greenville	....	6	....	7	4	1	38	67	.....	105
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	16	1	....	19	....	2	61	84	.....	145
Gethsemane	H. H. Rasberry, Whitaker's	5	....	....	2	....	1	20	29	.....	49
Henderson	T. M. Pitman, Henderson	11	11	....	31	1	6	....	....	.....	208
Hickory	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock	6	....	....	5	....	3	22	34	.....	56
Harris' Chapel	B. Y. Harris, Essex	4	....	....	1	....	1	26	51	.....	77
Halifax	J. F. Brinkley, Halifax	7	11	....	1	....	....	5	13	.....	18

*Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck										44
*Hamilton	T. H. Robertson, Hamilton										46
John's Chapel	J. P Underwood, Eatman						1	25	34		59
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	6	5	2	6	1	2	36	54		90
Louisburg	T. B. Wilder, Louisburg	6	13		7		2	77	95		172
Maple Spring	J. H. Uzzell, Mapleville	13	3	1	4	2	1	60	115		175
Mount Zion	W. F. Leonard, Laurel	8			3	1	6	59	101		160
Mount Hebron	S. T. Gupton, Centerville	5	2		1	2		47	99		146
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg				6			15	21		36
Macon	John H. Nicholson, Macon	10	8		1		1	13	22		35
Mildred	G. Cullen Cobb, Mildred						1				48
Marmaduke	M. T. Duke, Marmaduke	3	19					8	14		22
Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	1				1	1	17	32		49
North Rocky Mount	F. C. Ferguson, Rocky Mount	10	26		3			13	20		33
New Hope	John H. Vick, Wilson										36
New Bethel	D. D. Dickie, Epsom	21			5		2	52	134		186
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville				1			12	18		30
Plymouth	T Cheaves, Plymouth	6	4		9			30	49		79
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	5	4		1	5	4	89	180		169
Peach Tree	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunts	11	4		2		5	52	99		151
Pleasant Grove	W. G. W. Stone, Oakland	2	2	1	3	1	2	47	75		122
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Dukes	28	1	1	6	3	3	86	109		195
Pactolus	J. B. Little, Pactolus										28
Pine Forest	D. L. Beach, Everett's										55
Quankie	J. J. Cullom, Weldon	4					1				95
Rocky Mount	C. E. Timmons, Rocky Mount	13	20		3		1	52	68		120
Roanoke Rapids	W. D. Tillery, Roanoke Rapids	5	10					12	12		24
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	1	1			2		45	76		121
Reedy Creek	B. P. Davis, Creek	6	2	1	18		2	56	91		147
Red Bud	R. E. Lancaster, Castalia	14	5	2	3	6	1	82	141		223
Red Oak	F. M. Collins, Red Oak	13	8	1		2	1	50	58		108
Social Plains	H. B. Hagwood, Union Hope						2	7	12		19
Stanhope	R. S. Pearce, Finch	1			1		1	17	24		41
Sulphur Springs	D. T. Revis, Afton	6		1		3		21	30		51

Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	32	8	1	12	....	1	155	206	.....	361
Samaria	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope	5	....	1	1	2	2	48	84	.....	132
Stony Creek	T. E. Coley, Rocky Mount	4	6	....	....	....	2	32	28	.....	60
Sandy Creek	D. E. Aycock, Oswego	24	3	1	1	1	3	109	147	.....	256
Spring Hope	George W. Bunn, Spring Hope	....	1	1	4	....	....	15	25	.....	40
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Wise	4	1	....	....	....	....	44	67	.....	111
Sharpsburg	J. E. Adams, Elm City	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	14
Tillery	B. F. Tillery, Tillery	16	5	....	2	....	2	22	20	.....	42
Turkey Branch	W. J. Hardie, Enfield	....	2	....	....	....	4	12	23	.....	35
Tarboro	J. W. Ashburn, Tarboro	1	3	....	1	....	....	22	22	.....	34
Williamston	J. W. Anderson, Williamston	6	8	....	3	1	1	17	40	.....	57
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	17	2	....	4	....	5	37	43	.....	80
Washington	Thomas J. Latham, Washington	2	1	....	5	....	....	10	21	.....	31
Wilson	B. F. Briggs, Wilson	5	11	....	8	12	6	....	....	.....	183
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	9	9	....	8	....	1	63	89	.....	152
*Warren Plains	W. E. Hanks, Warren Plains	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	130
Total		460	270	21	234	69	93	2378	3735	7	7084

*Last year's statistics.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Colportage.
Antioch	$.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	..
Brown's	21 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 52	..
Battleboro	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 01	.....	1 00	..
Bethel	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	..
Bethlehem	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Bear Swamp	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Castalia	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	..
Cypress Chapel	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	1 50	.....	.....	1 50	..
Conoconary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	..
Crocker's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	75	..
Corinth	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Cedar Rock	11 50	.....	.....	50	67	.....	.....	1 50	..
Dawson's	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Enterprise	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 05	..
Ephesus	5 00	.....	20	20	1 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	..
Eagle's	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	50	..
Enfield	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	..
Elm Grove	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	..
Elm City	8 00	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	1 05	..
Fishing Creek	7 70	80	.....	1 90	.....	78	.....	65	..
Gethsemane	11 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	..
Greenville	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	..
Gardner's	8 80	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	..
Harris' Chapel	10 00	.....	1 00	1 00	2 50	1 50	1 00	1 30	..
Henderson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	..
Hobgood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Hickory	5 00	.....	.....	.....	57	.....	.....	50	..
Hamilton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
John's Chapel	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	75	..
Littleton	23 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	..
Louisburg	100 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	..
Mount Zion	20 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	1 85	.....	1 50	..
Mildred	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	..
Macon	8 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	..
Maple Spring	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	..
Middleburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	5 00	.....	.....	..
Mount Hebron	.....	.....	2 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20	..
New Bethel	10 00	5 00	5 00	31 00	.....	8 00	.....	1 00	..
Nashville	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	..
New Hope	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
North Rocky Mount	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	..
Oak Level	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	..
Peach Tree	7 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20	..
Pleasant Grove	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	..
Philadelphia	20 00	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	1 15	..

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Poplar Spring	$ 25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Pine Forest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plymouth	25 00	11 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Pactolus	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quankie	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Red Bud	5 00	.....	.....	1 00	2 00	2 50	1 00	1 35	.....
Rock Spring	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....
Red Oak	7 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Rocky Mount	25 00	12 50	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Roanoke Rapids	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....
Reedy Creek	10 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 21	.....
Sulphur Springs	2 85	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	.....	50	.....
Sharon	25 00	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	75	.....
Scotland Neck	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....
Stanhope	2 25	.....	.....	2 60	.....	2 25	.....	1 00	.....
Sandy Creek	4 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....
Stony Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 08	.....
Spring Hope	5 00	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	65	.....
Sharpsburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Social Plains	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Samaria	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....
Tarboro	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Turkey Branch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20	.....	25	.....
Tillery	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....
Warrenton	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Weldon	7 75	.....	2 50	2 50	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Washington	6 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Williamston	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....
Warren Plains	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....
Total	$668 91	38 60	20 27	71 70	34 74	39 09	7 00	64 76	0000

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Brown's	S. S. Bobbitt, Axtel	4	24	....	128	3 40	.....	.....	1 50	1 25
Bethel	T. R. Bullock, Bethel	5	73	....	73	10 65	.....	1 50	.....	.....
Bear Swamp	Bat. Bowers, Airlie	6	57	....	....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battleboro	R. E. Shearin, Battleboro	6	27	125	150	4 00	.....	5 01	.....	.....
Cypress Chapel	W. J. Wilder, Spring Hope	7	82	....	....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Branch, No. 1	W. A. Moore, —— ——	6	90	....	....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Rock	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	11	70	....	80	10 00	.....	20 00	10 0.	.....
Castalia	T. W. Bartholomew, Castalia	7	97	....	100	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dawson's	O. C. Stallings, Dawson's	6	40	60	20	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enterprise	S. T. Barnes, Littleton	7	55	....	55	25 00	.....	.....	2 3.	.....
Enfield	T. J. Dennis, Enfield	7	3.	50	12	6 05	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elm Grove	W. W. Pippin, Nashville	5	83	....	4	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	4	4.	100	40	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Fishing Creek	W. O. Dunn, Ita	7	5.	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Henderson	Thomas Stewart, Henderson	15	40	....	....	62 45	.....	23 46	10 56	11 66
Hickory	T. B. Powell, Gold Rock	5	30	....	....	75	.....	1 85	.....	.....
Harris' Chapel	W. H. Mabry, Essex	8	36	20	18	7 32	.....	.....	.....	.....

John's Chapel	H. T. Finch, Glover	6	10	37	2	2 50					
Littleton	Howard Browning, Littleton	9	76	125	90	42 75		25 00			
Louisburg	Thomas B. Wilder, Louisburg	9	116		170	50 00					
Maple Spring	Ches. N. Beebe, Mapleville	10	60	100	150	25 00					
Mount Zion	John H. Harper, Laurel	7	46		54	9 75					
Mount Hebron	Lilla Gupton, Ransome's Bridge	6	72		250	10 75	5 00		7 00	2 00	
Middleburg	W. H. Kimball, Middleburg	4	16		141	4 56		5 00	1 00		
Macon	Joseph L. Colman, Macon	7	28		39	7 68	10 47				
Mildred	E. C. Knight, Mildred	5	40								
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Rock Spring	W. D. Harris, Louisburg	12	90		136	15 00					
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Red Bud	T. S. Collie, Cedar Rock	10	62		60	5 00					
Red Oak	R. O. Critcher, Red Oak	8	64		24	4 04					
Stanhope	S. R. Pearce, Finch	6	40		100	4 00					
Sulphur Springs	R. E. Aycock, Vicksboro	7	40		20	7 80					
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Sharon	N. G. Perkinson, Wise	6	64		70	8 10					
Tillery	J. K. Dickens, Tillery	5	30		40	18 00					

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Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	8	52	....	....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....
Williamston	J. W. Anderson, Williamston	....	75	....	....	12 07	.....	14 76	.....	35 89
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	6	60	50	140	45 51	.....	.....	4 96	.....
Washington	Thomas J. Latham, Washington	6	24	....	54	10 51	.....	5 00	.....	.....
Wilson	D. S. Boykin, Wilson	13	97	150	84	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warrenton	J. R. Rodwell, Warrenton	14	95	382	189	58 83	.....	.....	10 00	.....
Total	.....	452	3620	3958	4917	958 68	10 47	436 30	79 72	63 35

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CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Misions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Colportage.	Aged Ministers.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Antioch	$ 40 00			11 00			1 00							25	$ 52 25
Bethlehem	34 75					1 00	1 00	50	50		50			69	38 94
Brown's	150 00	36		60	2 54	21 35				2 50	11 50		2 25	1 52	192 62
Bethel	25 00	3 30	2 50			5 00					78			50	37 08
Bear Swamp					15 75	1 50			8 00		4 33				29 78
Battleboro	100 00	2 12				20 00								1 00	123 12
Conoconary														1 00	1 00
Cypress Chapel	50 00			5 00		1 00		1 00		1 50				1 50	60
Crocker's Chapel	30 00										1 50			75	32 25
Cedar Rock	100 00	15 00				11 50			50	67				1 50	129 17
Castalia	50 00	2 50				5 00								75	58 25
Corinth															
Dawson's	100 00				5 00	20 00		1 59	2 00	2 44	4 41			1 00	136 44
Enterprise	50 00	1 00		75 00	25 00	5 00								1 00	157 00
Enfield	85 00	5 45			72 00	10 00	6 26	1 70			18 45			60	248 46
Elm Grove	50 00					5 00								1 00	56 00
Ephesus	50 00					5 00		20	20	1 00	3 00		1 00	1 00	61 40
Eagles'	100 00	5 00	5 00	50	0 85	5 00					2 00		2 00	50	129 85
Elm City	100 00			15 00	95 40	8 00			2 00	2 00	2 00			1 00	225 45
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Gethsemane	40 00	40				11 50	50	1 05	1 22		3 13		61	50	58 91
*Henderson	1,000 00	89 75	13 46	5 00	92 90		97 45	31 46	70 35		29 78		10 30	1 50	1441 95
Hickory	60 00	75				5 00				57	2 00			50	68 82

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Harris' Chapel	$ 75 00	.....	3	.....	10	10	.....	1	1	2 50	5	....	1	1	109 50
Halifax	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	50
Hobgood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hamilton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John's Chapel	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	75	33 25
Littleton	300	19 95	5	7	50 77	23 41	.....	27 50	5	.....	.....	2 44	4 52	1 50	447 09
Louisburg	700	100	39	250	311	100	.....	7 35	17	38	.....	....	13	1	1,576 35
Maple Spring	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	212
Mount Zion	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	4 56	.....	2	6 93	.....	.....	1 50	184 99
Mount Hebron	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20	53 72
Middleburg	100	50	.....	5 86	20 50	.....	4 28	2 77	4 30	1 82	4 11	.....	.....	50	144 64
Macon	100	.....	.....	35	9	8	5 50	1	.....	3 05	10 47	2 86	1 50	75	177 13
Mildred	40	.....	.....	15	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	2	5	.....	.....	.....	77
Marmaduke	.....	.....	.....	150	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	150 50
Nashville	100	3	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 50	.....	.....	50	113
North Rocky Mount	50	58 61	7 30	55 15	91 97	.....	3 71	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	268 74
New Bethel	125	19 50	20 50	.....	.....	10	10	5	31	.....	14 50	.....	.....	1	236 50
New Hope	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Level	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	45 50
Plymouth	250	53 73	79 32	1 50	145 68	25	11 30	8 33	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	583 89
Poplar Spring	150	.....	8 30	100	25	20	.....	.....	15 75	.....	3	.....	.....	2	324 05
Peach Tree	50	.....	.....	10	.....	7 10	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 70	69 80
Pleasant Grove	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 68	.....	.....	1 50	122 18
Philadelphia	75	.....	3	.....	5	20	.....	4	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	1 15	110 65
Pine Forest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Pactolus																			
Quankie	$ 50 00			12	12	10	6												
Rocky Mount	500	75			12	25	22 50		5 50	10	1								91 60
Roanoke Rapids		120	15		20						25							2	677 80
Rock Spring	100		18 14															50	155 50
Reedy Creek	100		70			5												1 50	174 64
Red Bud	100				15 18	10		2 30	3 50	1	10 25							1 21	144 14
Red Oak	100	97 50	11 20	45		5			2	2	8		6 15	1					180 35
Social Plains						15	2	1	2	2	1 80			1					222 30
Stanhope				25					2									25	27 25
Sulphur Springs	60			2 25					2 60		2 25							1	8 10
Scotland Neck	1,000	125	150	25 00	1 05	2 85				1	1							50	91 40
Samaria	60	2 50	5		428 50	200	106 25	15 00	18 60	51	765			2	50				2,861 85
Stony Creek						10								1	50				79 00
Sandy Creek	Total ex-	penses	with-	out	nam-	10		3	2 50		2		2 50	1					21 60
Spring Hope	25	4 35		75		4 25	ing	ob-	jects					2	50				1,006 75
Sharon	150	33		60	11	5			3						6				113 00
Sharpsburg						25	7			5	4				75				295 75
Tillery	150	169 39																	
Turkey Branch	40					15	8 41	1 37	7 32	3 93	7 01				25				362 58
Tarboro											1 20				25				41 45
Williamston	300	63				25					10								
Weldon	339 33	59 01	48		54	10	21 62			1	43 63			1					440 25
Washington	100	18 62		422 80		25	7 75	2 50	2 50		12 85		7 02	1					559 03
†Wilson	600			75		6 85								1					1,248 27
‡Warrenton	550	105 45	1 40		54 10		21 02	14 07	30	35	119 52		6 25	2					677 00
Warren Plains														2					938 81
Total	$10,074 08	1438 14	435 82	2090 41	1794 13	853 33	367 67	140 25	267 19	182 48	1195 13	5 30	59 17	67 87					$18,956 50

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Aged Ministers.....John A. Coppedge.
Obituaries.....S. S. Alsop.
State Missions.....G. L. Finch.
Home Missions.....W. H. Reddish.
Associational Missions.....G. M. Duke.
Foreign Missions.....T. J. Taylor.
Education.....Josiah Crudup.
Orphanage.....W. E. Bowers.
Periodicals.....D. J. Whichard.
Temperance.....J. R. Pace.

Ordained Ministers and Post Offices.

E. C. Bobbitt, Dukes,
J. A. Bridges, Spring Hope,
J. H. Colbert, Centerville,
G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield,
G. M. Duke, Dukes,
J. T. Edmundson, Littleton,
G. L. Finch, Williamston,
J. E. Hocutt, Stanhope,
J. D. Hufham, Henderson,
N. S. Jones, Tarboro,
R. G. Kendrick, Weldon,
M. L. Kesler, Rocky Mount,
J. A. B. Kilpatrick, Auralian Sp'ngs,
L. A. Lloyd, Spring Hope,
J. A. McKaughan, Halifax,
G. W. May, Wake Forest,
W. C. Nowell, Nashville,
J. W. Noble, Greenville,
G. W. Newell, Mapleville,
J. R. Pace, Whitakers,
M. R. Purnell, Louisburg,
A. A. Pippin, Spring Hope,
Levi Perkinson, Warren Plains,
J. W. Powell, Rocky Mount,
D. B. Ricard, Mildred,
W. H. Reddish, Wilson,
Forrest Smith, Louisburg,
A. W. Setzer, Greenville,
T. J. Taylor, Warrenton,
R. T. Vann, Scotland Neck,
T. T. Wooten, Plymouth,
A. G. Wilcox, Brinkleyville.

PROCEEDINGS.

Stony Creek Baptist Church, Nash Co.,
October 5th, 1897.

The Tar River Association met with the church here to-day in its sixty-seventh annual session. On motion of Geo. M. Duke, the organization of the body was deferred from 11 o'clock a. m. till 2 p. m., in order that the Association might hear the Introductory Sermon, which was preached by R. G. Kendrick, of Weldon. Text, 2 Thess., 2nd chapter and part of 16th verse. After the sermon, the pastor, W. C. Nowell, in a most timely speech extended to the Association a hearty welcome, which was responded to by T. J. Taylor.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled. Devotional exercises were conducted by M. L. Kesler.

The chair announced the Finance Committee as follows: Josiah Crudup, J. W. Anderson, and M. T. Duke. The Moderator called the roll, which showed the representation of churches to be as follows:

Antioch.—R. B. Taylor ,W. H. Smith and J. R. Collier.

Bethlehem.—By letter.

Brown's.—J. W. Stokes, J. H. Burroughs and J. W. Smithwick.

Bethel.—T. R. Bullock, W. E. Knox and Leon Peal.

Battleboro.—R. E. Shearin, G. W. Ward. and J. B. Reid.

Conoconary.—Jas. A. Pope and W. Brent.

Cypress Chapel.—W. A. Moore.

Crocker's Chapel.—E. H. Crocker, L. W. Griffin and E. Edwards.

Cedar Rock.—J. A. Coppedge, W. H. Smith and R. S. Boone.

Castalia.—C. B. Goggin and O. N. Marshall.

Corinth.—C. B. Ellington and L. H. Jones.

Dawson's.—W. E. Barkley, J. H. Branch and J. J. Partin.

Enterprise.—Fletcher Bobbitt, T. D. King and W. P. Harris.

Enfield.—S. S. Alsop.

Elm Grove.—Joe Batchelor, John Odom and Geo. Adams.
Ephesus.—W. W. Batchelor, H. D. Bowden and W. P. Lamb.
Eagle's.—T. D. Massey, W. T. Briley and Chas. Forbes.
Elm City.—J. H. Barkley, W. L. Winstead and J. C. M. Coley.
Fishing Creek.—T. T. Warren, I. C. Sledge and W. W. Rosser.
Greenville.—D. J. Whichard, W. H. Bagwell and J. T. Matthews.
Gardners.—By letter.
Gethsemane.—O. L. Pittman and J. R. Pace.
Henderson.—J. D. Hufham and Thomas P. Stewart.
Hickory.—T. E. Powell, Sam. Smith and P. H. Smith.
Harris' Chapel.—W. H. Mabry and Sam. Hamlet.
Halifax.—J. A. McKaughan.
Hobgood.—J. R. Pace, Henry Parker and G. C. Weeks.
Hamilton.—G. L. Finch.
John's Chapel.—C. C. Finch and H. T. Finch.
Littleton.—By letter.
Louisburg.—T. B. Wilder, Josiah Crudup and E. S. Green, Jr.
Maple Springs.—J. H. Sledge, W. H. Stallings and Sam'l Matthews.
Mt. Zion.—W. H. Leonard, W. T. Cooper and J. A. Andrews.
Mt. Hebron.—J. S. Shearin, H. Jones and A. H. Hicks.
Middleburg.—By letter.
Macon.—H. A. Nicholson.
Mildred.—T. J. Crisp and D. E. Cobb.
Marmaduke.—M. T. Duke, S. R. Duke and J. J. Cullom.
Nashville.—L. M. Conyers and W. C. Nowell.
North Rocky Mount.—F. C. Furgerson, T. J. Lewis and Geo. W. Womble.
New Hope.—W. H. White.
New Bethel—By letter.
Oak Level.—T. A. Boone, J. D. Todd and D. W. Gardner.
Plymouth.—F. T. Wooten.
Poplar Springs.—J. M. White, R. Dodd and J. B. Baker.
Peach Tree.—A. H. Edwards, J. O. Bowden and H. A. Hines.
Pleasant Grove.—J. T. Winstead, J. R. Coggin and J. R. Stone.
Philadelphia.—T. P. Alford, A. C. Griffin and W. H. Jones.
Pactolus.—Not represented.
Pine Forest.—J. A. Whitley and G. L. Finch.
Quankie.—By letter.
Rocky Mount.—H. D. Epps, J. S. Thomas and E. W. Shearin.

Roanoke Rapids.—By letter.

Rock Springs.—D. V. Chevis, G. L. Chevis and W. D. Harriss.

Reedy Creek.—W. T. Robertson, Sam. Neal and S. J. Clark.

Red Bud.—Not represented.

Red Oak.—A. H. Whitley, J. S. Jones and P. E. Edwards.

Social Plains.—J. T. Alford, and H. B. Hagwood.

Stanhope.—S. R. Pierce, Thos. Westry and J. H. Pitts.

Sulphur Springs.—By letter.

Scotland Neck.—W. H. Kitchen, E. E. Hilliard and W. A. Dunn.

Samaria.—W. H. Hagwood and J. R. Chamble.

Stony Creek.—E. T. Barkley, J. H. Griffin and W. F. Hedgepeth.

Sandy Creek.—By letter.

Spring Hope.—Not represented.

Sharon.—By letter.

Sharpsburg.—Not represented.

Tillery.—W. H. Randolph.

Turkey Branch.—A. E. Hull.

Tarboro.—Not represented.

Williamston.—J. W. Anderson and G. L. Finch.

Weldon.—R. G. Kendrick, B. A. Pope and R. T. Daniel.

Washington.—Noah Biggs.

Wilson.—W. H. Reddish, Lindsey Moye and J. J. Pruitt.

Warrenton.—T. J. Taylor, R. D. Fleming and N. L. Shaw.

Warren Plains.—G. W. Weldon, W. D. Wedon and R. P. Frazier.

After the roll of churches was called, the Association went into permanent organization by the election of N. L. Shaw as Moderator, W. E. Bowers as Vice-Moderator, and A. G. Wilcox as Clerk and Treasurer.

The Chair appointed J. D. Hufham, G. L. Finch, and R. D. Fleming as a Committee on Order of Business.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats; accepted by brethren N. B. Broughton, representing the Biblical Recorder; C. C. Williams, from the Central Assoiction, and P. S. Vann, representing the Chowan Baptist Female Institute, of Murfreesboro, N. C. The new pastors of the Associaiton were welcomed by the Moderator; and brethren Forrest Smith, of Louisburg, A. W. Setzer, from Greenville, W. H. Reddish, of Wilson, made brief responses.

New churches desiring admision into the body were now called for by the Moderator. The church at Cary applied. A committee consisting of G. M. Duke, J. D. Hufham and J. W. Smithwick were appointed to examine covenant, articles of faith etc., of said church. After examination, reported as follows:

"We, your committee to whom was referred the examination of the covenant, articles of faith, etc., of Cary church, desire to report that we find the church organized according to Baptist usage, and recommend their reception."

Report adopted, and the Moderator extended to the delegate, A. C. Evans, the right hand of welcome.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

For the first time in many years, if not for the first time in your history, you have called for a report on temperance. This action, let us hope, is a token of awakening interest. The figures are not at hand for any statistical report on this subject; nor is such information needful in this body. With the knowledge that the amount annually spent in this country for alcoholic drinks, together with the resulting cost of courts, jails, idleness, pauperism and crime, aggregate more than two thousand million dollars, not to mention the sorrow and distress which no figures can report and no fancy can paint, we need no further information to move us to duty.

It is not the provision of a Baptist church, or of an asssociation of such churches to promote a political movement, or to invoke the aid of the State even in the cause of righteousness. What we can and should do, is to purge our churches of all drunkenness, and of all that tends to promote drunkenness in their membership. Moreover, we can and should, by all proper means, create a public sentiment that will prohibit the manufacture and sale and use as a beverage of all intoxicating liquors. And these things we earnestly urge our churches to do.

R. T. VANN.

The report on temperance was read by N. B. Broughton, for the chairman, and after remarks by brethren Fleming, Pace, Kendrick, Powell, Hufham and McKaughan, was adopted.

The Chair announced the following Commtitee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next session: T. J. Taylor, N. Biggs and J. W. Wilder.

Adjourned. Benediction by J. D. Hufham.

WEDNESDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Association assembled at 9.30 o'clock, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, led by brother Reddish.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

Committee to nominate delegates to Baptist State and Southern Baptist Conventions appointed, consisting of brethren F. T. Wooten, S. S. Alsop and Hiram Nicholson, who afterwards reported as follows: N. Biggs, Dr. R. M. Johnson, T. J. Taylor, S. S. Alsop, G. W. Coppedge, J. T. Edmundson, M. L. Kesler, Dr. J. D. Hufham, R. G. Kendrick, A. W. Setzer, W. H. Reddish, Dr. R. D. Fleming, G. L. Finch, F. T. Wooten, Forrest Smith, G. M. Duke, A. G. Wilcox, W. E. Daniel, T. M. Pittman, E. E. Hilliard, J. M. Colman, R. A. P. Cooley, T. B. Wilder and R. T. Vann, to Baptist State Convention; and N. L. Shaw to Southern Baptist Convention—R. T Vann alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. WOOTEN,
S. S. ALSOP,
H. A. NICHOLSON,
Committee.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The same which requires us to preach the Gospel at home, requires us to preach it abroad. When the Saviour commanded, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," he meant all the world. When he said "go teach all nations," he meant what he said, "all nations." This command is binding upon us, and our King will not hold us innocent if we neglect this work and disobey his command.

The perishing millions in heathen lands are living in darkness and dying in sin. Shall we deny them the light of the Gospel and withhold from them the bread of life? "The world is the field" our Master bids us occupy till he comes. "Let us go up and possess the land, for we are well able."

T. J. TAYLOR.

Hour for special order having arrived, Associational Missions was reported by brother Hufham, as follows:

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

The following brethren have labored for a longer or shorter period at different places during the year: J. W. Powell, J. W. Sledge, R. G. Kendrick, J. R. Pace, J. T. Edmondson, A. G. Wilcox, W. V. Savage, Alderman, Ricaud, McKaughan, Finch, Jones, Kesler, Herring and Kramer.

Brother Powell has baptised nine persons at North Rocky Mount, where he has been laboring. Eleven were also added to the church by letter.

Brother Ricaud has baptised six at Mildred; he has also baptized seven person at Bethel, and nine have been added by letter. There have been no additions at Eagle's, the last point in his mission field, but all the signs are encouraging.

Brother Finch has occupied three stations and two out stations in Martin county, and baptised twenty-five.

Brother Wilcox preached at Roanoke Rapids until May. He had finished an excellent house of worship, and the church is full of encouragement. They feel that if they can be relieved of a debt which is encumbering them, their prospects are every way satisfactory. We bespeak for them the liberal aid of the brethren.

Brother Edmondson has preached at Enterprise once a month. At this point the brethren have completed their house of worship without debt. They have increased their contributions to State Missions three-fold. Several have been baptised, and others are awaiting the ordinance. At Vaughan a house of worship has been built, and a church will be organized during the present month.

Brother Sledge has preached once a month at Marmaduke. He has held a good meeting and baptised six. Others are awaiting the ordinance. The church is in excellent condition and hopes to be self-sustaining after another year.

Brother Pace has been preaching at Hobgood and Gethsemane, and at two school houses. His labors have been much interrupted by sickness, but he has baptised six.

Brother Kendrick has been preaching twice a month at Macon. The new and beautiful house of worship has been completed and dedicated. Four have been baptised, and the church is in prosperous condition. Regular contributions are made to all the objects of our associational missions.

Brother Alderman was much blessed in the work at Washington until his resignation was compelled by ill health. The house of worship has been renovated, and the church has been strengthened every way.

Brother Jones has been laboring with great acceptance for a few months at Tarboro. He feels encouraged at this most difficult point.

Brother McKaughan has been laboring among the convicts at the State farms, and at stations in Halifax county. On his field he has baptized fifty-five during the year.

The reports are not full, but they are the most satisfactory that have ever been made to the body. The fields have been ripening through the years, and in all parts of the territory they are white to the harvest. We are called on to do more than ever in the way of prayer, faithful effort and liberal giving.

J. D. HUFHAM, Chairman.

After an address by brother Hufham, roll of churches was called and amounts below pledged by churches and individuals

for year to come: Scotland Neck, $200; Warrenton, $100; Louisburg, $100; Henderson, $75; Brown's, $30; Poplar Springs, $30; Sharon, $30; Weldon, $30; Dawson's, $25; Greenville, $25; Gardner's, $25; Maple Springs, $25; Plymouth, $25; Rocky Mount, $35; Tarboro, $25; Washington, $25; Tillery, $25; Philadelphia, $25; Battleboro, $20; Red Oak, $20; Williamston, $20; Corinth, $15; Cedar Rock, $15; Enterprise, $15; Enfield, $15; Elm City, $15; Fishing Creek, $15; Gethsemane, $15; Harriss' Chapel, $15; Mt. Zion, $15; New Bethel, $15; Sandy Creek, $15; Pleasant Grove, $15; Hickory, $12; Bethel, $10; Crocker's Chapel, $10; Ephesus, $10; Eagle's, $10; Hobgood, 10; G. M. Duke, $10; J. D. Hufham, $10; Hamilton, $10; Middleburg, $10; Macon, $10; Nashville, $10; North Rocky Mount, $10; Pine Forest, $10; Quankie, $10; Roanoke Rapids, $10; Rock Spring, $10; Reedy Creek, $10; Red Bud, $10; Samaria, $10; Stony Creek, $10; Wilson, $10; Warren Plains, $10; Vaughan, $10; J. W. Sledge, $10; G. L. Finch, $10; A. G. Wilcox, $10; R. T. Vann, $10; Stanhope, $8; Bethlehem, $5; Castalia, $5; Elm Grove, $5; Ephesus, $5; Halifax, $5; Mt. Hebron, $5; Oak Level, $5; Peach Tree, $5; Social Plains, $5; Spring Hope, $5; Jas. A. Poe, $5; Turkey Branch, $5; Cary, $5; W. S. Dozier, $5; S. N. Edwards, $5; G. W. Ward, $5; C. F. Ellen, $5; Miss Eagles, $5; Ed. Barkley, $5; J. H. Sledge, $5; W. E. Barkley, $5; L. M. Conyers, $5; T. P. Stewart, $5; A. C. Griffin, $5; J. W. Ellen, $5; R. G. Kendrick, $5; S. W. Kittrell, $5; Warren Plains, $5; J. H. Barkley, $5; J. A. McKaughan, $5; J. W. Powell, $5; Sulphur Springs, $5; Marmaduke, $5; A. A. Pippin, $5; W. T. Hedgepeth, $2.50; W. B. Harper, $2.50; J. H. Griffiin, $2.50; W. H. Sexton, $2.50; A. A. Johnson, $2.50; W. R. Thomas, $2.50; L. A. Loyd, $2.50; J. C. Marks, $2.50; T. A. Bone, $2.50; W. H. Stallings, $2.50; S. L. Coley, $2.50; D. P. Chevis, $2.50; Josiah Crudup, $2.50; New Hope, $2; W. C. Nowell, $2; Mrs. N. Privett, $2; J. T. Coley, $2; John's Chapel, $2; Mrs. M. A. Perry, $2; J. R. Chamblee, $1.50; P. H. Smith, $1. Total, $1,602.

After which report was adopted.

In this connection, the treasurer of the Executive Committee offered his report, which was referred to brother W. H. Randolph to audit, who afterwards reported:

REPORT OF TREASURER.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION
To N. BIGGS, Treasurer.

1897			
Oct. 1.	To cash paid Rev. T. A. Loyd	$ 25 00	
	Rev. J. W. Powell	50 00	
	Rev. J. W. Sledge	30 00	
	Rev. R. G. Kendrick	50 00	
	Rev. J. R. Pace	75 00	
	Rev. J. T. Edmondson	35 00	
	Rev. J. W. Cramer	10 00	
	Rev. A. G. Wilcox	60 00	
	Rev. W. V. Savage	102 06	
	Rev. J. O. Alderman	150 00	
	Rev. D. B. Ricaud	100 00	
	Rev. J. A. McKaughan	100 00	
	Rev. G. L. Finch	100 00	
	Rev. N. S. Jones	72 94	
	Rev. M. L. Kesler	33 33	
	Rev. R. H. Herring	33 33	
		$1,026 66	

1896	CR.		
Oct. 1.	By amount on hand this day		$ 112 47
	By amount at Association		692 42
	Scotland Neck Church		200 00
	Hamilton Church		5 00
	Warren Plains Church		6 50
	J. O. Alderman		5 00
	Mrs. John Uzell		5 00
	Hickory Church		2 00
	A. G. Wilcox		3 00
			$1,031 39
	To amount to balance	4 73	
		$1,031 39	$1,031 39

1897		
Oct. 1.	By amount due this day	$ 4 73

I have examined the accounts of N. Biggs, Treasurer of the Executive Committee, and find same to be correct.

W. H. RANDOLPH.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION
In account with A. G. WILCOX.

DISBURSEMENTS.

By balance due Treasurer at last session	$ 10 41	
Amount paid J. D. Boushall for State Missions	38 60	
Mome Missions	20 22	
Foreign Missions	71 70	
Education	34 70	
Amount paid J. D. Boushall, cash collection, Education	5 98	
Carried forward		$181 61

Brought forward	$181 61	
By amount paid J. D. Boushall, cash collection. Orphanage	39 09	
Amount paid J. D. Boushall, pledges, Orphanage	38 48	
Cash collection. aged ministers	10 25	
Paid J. D. Boushall for aged ministers	7 00	
Clerk's fee	25 00	
Stationery, mailing manuscript	45	
Printing and distributing 1,250 Minutes	36 50	
Paid N. Biggs for Asso. Missions, Hickory Church	2 00	
Money returned by J. D. Boushall	3 00	
Two hundred and fifty blank Church Letters	1 50	
Mailing same to Clerks	92	
	$345 80	

Oct., 1896. RECEIPTS.

Received Finance Committee for State Missions		$ 38 60
Home Missions		20 23
Foreign Missions		71 70
Education		34 70
Cash collection for Education		5 98
Received Finance Committee for Orphanage		39 09
Aged ministers		7 00
Minutes		64 76
Cash collection for aged ministers		10 25
Orphanage		21 98
Cash on pledges for Orphanage		16 50
Returned by J. D. Boushall		3 00
Rec'd from Hickory Church for Asso. Missions		2 00
		$335 78
Received of E. E. Hilliard for advertisement		4 00
		$339 78
To amount to balance		6 02
	$345 80	$345 80
Balance due Clerk this day		$ 6 02

Respectfully submitted. A. G. WILCOX, Treasurer.

I have examined account of A. G. Wilcox, Treasurer of the Association, and find same to be correct. W. H. RANDOLPH, Auditor.

The Moderator again extended an invitation to visiting brethren. which was accepted by brother A. A. Johnson. representing Charity and Children. and Prof. W. R. Cullom. representing Wake Forest College.

Report on Periodicals next claimed the attention of the body. The report was read by W. H. Reddish. as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

In the absence of your committee appointed to write the report on this subject I shall content myself with simply calling

the attention of the Association to the various periodicals which are the recognized organs of our denomination for furthering her interests in home and foreign lands.

In the interest of Foreign Missions, we have our "Foreign Mission Journal," a monthly magazine published by our Foreign Mission Board, at Richmond, Va. This Board also publishes mission tracts, which can be had by merely asking for them.

In the interest of Home Missions, the Home Mission Board has resumed the publication of the monthly paper called "Our Home Field."

"The Leader" is the organ of our Young Peoples' Union, and is published in Nashville, Tenn. Also, your committee would recommend "The Baptist Union," a weekly published in Chicago.

For use in our Sunday Schools, our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tenn., publishes a full and complete series of Sunday school lesson helps, from the "Teacher" down to the "Primary Quarterly." It also publishes "Kind Words," which we heartily endorse.

For the furtherance of our denomination in our own State, the "Biblical Recorder stands" pre-eminent. It is owned and published by the leading printers and binders of our State, and one of the leading printing establishments in the South. Its editor is second to none in this State, or any other. It is sound in the doctrines of the Bible, and is fearless in contending for the distinctive principles of Baptists. This excellent paper is now offered for the remarkably low price of one dollar and fifty cents a year, thus bringing it in easy reach of every Baptist who really wants a first-class religious paper.

In the interest of our Orphanage, is published "Charity and Children," which deserves the hearty support of the denomination.

All these have a right to demand your encouragement and support. Respectfully submitted, W. H. REDDISH.

After being discussed by brethren Broughton, Finch, Johnson and Taylor, the report was adopted.

Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by brother Cullom.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANAGE.

Brother Moderator and Brethren:

The Orphanage Association was organized on November 15th, 1884, just thirteen years next November.

Objects of the Association are to prepare poor and promising orphans for the duties and responsibilities of life, and special care shall be taken to help the most needy.

Houses Built.—On a farm of 309 acres of land, there has been built 15 substantial brick buildings. Four of these, the Biggs house, the Mitchell house, the Durham house and the Watson house, each 24x90 feet, with four rooms each, were built for the larger boys and girls; hence have their eating houses separated

from the dwellings, and are each sixteen by about thirty-six feet, with two or more rooms. The nursery, for the smaller children, has its eating-room in connection with the building, which is 50x90 feet, and has eight rooms. The Infirmary is 50x100 feet, with eight rooms, arranged and furnished for the sick. The Lea Chapel is 24x36 feet ,and has been used for preaching and Sunday school work. The Lassiter building consists of four large rooms, which have been used for offices, library, etc. The Miller building is 20x40 feet, three stories high, and is used for various purposes. The C. C. Lilly building was built for bathing purposes, and is large enough for purposes intended. Recently the central building has been completed. This is a large building, intended mainly for school purposes. I do not know the size of this building, but it is so arranged that there can be more or less rooms as occasion requires. There is also a large, well-built frame stable, or barn, for keeping hay, etc., and for housing the stock and cattle. There is also a frame printing office, where "Charity and Children" has been printed.

Children Registered.—Since the institution has been in operation, there have been registered 473 children.

I wanted to tell you what has become of these children, and wrote to the treasurer for the information, but he wrote me that the records would not enable him to give it all now; but this we know, that there is a grave yard there, and that seventeen of the children have passed over the river.

Orphanage Church.—Since the organization of the Orphanage church, 149 children have professed religion and joined the church; 93 girls and 56 boys, and I have frequently heard them spoken of as giving evidence of sincerity and piety.

Children Present Now.—There are present at the Orphanage now 74 boys and 80 girls; making a total of 154.

Stock, Cattle, Etc.—The Orphanage owns four mules, five milch cows, has twenty-one hogs to kill this winter that will weigh from 150 to 225 pounds each, and will leave a supply of stock hogs.

Now, you want to know what all this has cost you. I herewith file the treasurer's report for the year ending June 30th, 1897, from which I learn that there was received for current expenses, $11,063.15; for the central building, $5,100.92. This will give you only one year's transactions, leaving out of the account the central building, and your orphan work has cost you since it started about $130,000. This is the work of thirteen years, and the whole time has been one of the most trying financially that our people have known for many generations. It has included a period when many of the most able and liberal supporters of the Lord's cause, from one cause or another, have failed and been swept from the financial world; it has been a time of many elections where the people were promised much but have been benefitted nothing; crops have failed at times, or sold below the cost of production; in fact, it seems that everything has been shrinking until the wisest among us know not what to do for the best. Notwithstanding all these drawbacks, breth-

ren, you have cared for your orphan work and have built the houses mentioned, fed, clothed and educated in part and cared for 473 children, witnessed the professed conversion of 149 children; and you have met all these expenses till within the last few months, in spite of the best efforts to prevent it, a debt of some $2,500 has crept upon us, and we come to you to know what is your wish. Will you pay this debt at once, or let it go on till the work is crippled beyond recovery?

Our Paper, "Charity and Children."—It may be well for me to call your attention to our nice little paper, "Charity and Children," published at the Orphanage, most of the work being done by the boys, in the interest of charity and children, as its name implies. It is well worthy of your support, and I don't believe there is a better paper of the kind published anywhere. Every word can be read by anybody, and with profit—twenty columns of matter, and not one word of filth in it, and all it costs you is one dollar a year, and all of that dollar, except what it takes to pay the expenses of the paper, goes to support the orphans; and I am glad to have to report that it is some more than self-sustaining. We hope soon to have arrangements perfected by which it will be printed on a better press and present a much neater appearance. Brethren, all this is your work, and we must support it.

General Manager's House.—We not only need support for what you already have, but we must enlarge: at least to the extent of a house for the General Manager to live in. We have no home for him, and he at present occupies a part of the infirmary, which ought not to be, as that building ought to be kept for the sick alone. This building, at times, is very badly needed, and has been a great blessing to the unfortunate sick. Build a house for your General Manager, so that your sick children may have a quiet, nice place when needed.

Our Orphanage has no means of support except what the brethren give it, and we hope you will prayerfully consider the obligation which your position as Baptists imposes upon you.

Respectfully submitted, R. D. FLEMING.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Led in prayer by brother Setzer.

Special order at 2 p. m. being the Orphanage, the report was read by Dr. R. D. Fleming, and after remarks by brethren Fleming and Johnson, and a cash collection amounting to $41.45, the report was adopted.

Report on State Missions was read by brother Kesler.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The things that have given us success and made us great in the past, are the things that must be emphasized and pushed with energy and zeal if we would continue to have success.

The work of State Missions is the greatest work we have ever done; it has made possible almost everything we have achieved in the State and on foreign fields. This work is far from being done. Eastern Carolina still has wide fields of destitution. We are on the border of such a territory. The west is white unto the harvest. Others see the opportunity and are entering in. That large territory belongs to Baptists to evangelize and imbue with the spirit of missions.

A large work has come upon us in the last few years in the factory villages that are dotting our State over. This work is making new and larger demands upon us. The general movement of the country to the town means a constant call for help from the State Mission Board.

We have eighty-nine missionaries preaching the gospel in about two hundred destitute points. We recommend that every church in this Association take a collection for State Missions, and that we do not wait to the end of the year to do take it.

M. L. KESLER.

After discussion by M. L. Kesler and J. D. Hufham, the following resolution was offered by brother Hufham:

Resolved, That we, as members of the Tar River Association, will endeavor to secure a collection for State Missions in our respective churches during the month of November.

Which resolution and report was adopted.

In this connection, A. G. Wilcox made a statement in reference to a debt incurred in building a house of worship at Roanoke Rapids, the consideration of which was deferred until to-morrow.

The following resolution was offered by Thos. B. Wilder, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote: "Having learned that our brother, W. E. Bowers, is aggrieved at the spirit which he feels was manifested towards him some years ago by some members of this Association, therefore be it resolved, that we assure him of our warm affection and regard, and our sincere sorrow for any pain or injury that he has suffered in this matter, and we heartily desire that he resume his former relations and labors among us." Brother Bowers made a statement expressing his great love for the Association during the last thirty years, and his still greater love since their action of to-day. "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung as the brethren of the Association extended to brother Bowers their hands in token of their great love for him.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Nothing, save the preaching of the Gospel, seems more vital and so important to us as Baptists at the present time, when in-

fidelity, greed of gain, Mormonism, lack of denominational unity, indifference to public education, and the reproach so frequently heaped upon us as an ignorant sect, than the encouragement of schools of all grades for the moral and religious education of the youth of our land.

It is to be doubted whether the higher education of young men and women from what are termed leading colleges and universities of the United States and other countries, ought to be encouraged by those who hold dear the moral and religious development of the young. It is no longer a question whether education without Christianity should be encouraged.

The leading universities of Germany, and perhaps of our own country, are hotbeds of infidelity. This state of affairs is brought about by stimulating the intellect, while the religious part of our nature receives little or no attention. These conditions are leading us as a nation to depreciate the Word of God, and render our nation one of infidelity, agnosticism, and the various "isms" of the land. What is taught in our schools to-day, will be the creed and religion of to-morrow. The future leaders of our State and denominaion are now being instructed in our colleges and universities. The text-books and instructors of youth are of transcendent importance to our welfare as a people. There never was a time when the Word of God should receive more attention than at the present. Largely, our own schools should do the work needed and demanded.

The power for good wielded by Wake Forest College with its 250 students, for our denomination, where the Bible forms a part of the curriculum and where the religion of the Bible is made prominent, cannot be estimated. It should receive our special encouragement now, when competition with other schools is so close. And is it too much to say that a Baptist who will not patronize and encourage his own institutions, and at the same time does lend aid to its rivals which depreciate his own and drives his son or daughter from his denomination, is faithless to the cause he has espoused ?

It seems to the writer, that in our educational system at present, the Female University at Raleigh should receive our earnest prayers and increased contributions. Our denomination has been losing for years at our capital and in the State on account of a lack to furnish as much educational facilities as is desired and needed.

The Oxford Female Seminary and the Chowan Baptist Female Institute have done well and should continue to receive our patronage.

If we were to keep up with our denomination in other parts of the State, the establishment of associational schools for our boys and girls should receive our attention. The location of this in a desirable part of the Association, with facilities for cheap board, would be necesary in order to make it a success.

No denomination is in more need of an educated ministry than ours. To effect this, the support of the young ministers at Wake Forest and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is imperative. Respectfully submitted, L. W. BAGLEY.

Report on Education was read by the Moderator for the chairman. Remarks were made by brethren Cullom, P. S. and R. T. Vann, and N. B. Broughton. The further consideration of the report deferred till to-morrow.

The Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next session reported as follows:

Your Committee recommend that the next session of this body be held with the Weldon Baptist Church, commencing at 11 o'clock a. m., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1898. That Elder Forrest Smith preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder N. S. Jones, alternate.

T. J. TAYLOR,
N. S. BIGGS,
THOS. B. WILDER,
Committee.

Association then adjourned, with prayer by brother Sledge.

THURSDAY.—MORNING SESSION.

Thursday morning, at 9.30 o'clock, Association convened, and spent half an hour in devotional exercises, led by brother Sledge. Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

On motion, report on education was further discussed, and roll of churches called and amounts below secured for same: Antioch, $1.50; Brown's, $5; Corinth, $2.50; Dawson's, $2; Eagle's, $2; Gardner's, $5; Gethsemane, $2; Henderson, $25; Harriss' Chapel, $2; Hamilton, $1; Louisburg, $20; Maple Springs, $2; Mt. Zion, $2; Macon, $2.50; Mildred, $2; Nashville, $2; Poplar Springs, $5; Plymouth, $5; Peach Tree, $2; Rocky Mount, $5; Philadelphia, $2.50; Pine Forest, $2; Reedy Creek, $2; Red Oak, $2; Stanhope, $1; Scotland Neck, $50; Stony Creek, $5; Sandy Creek, $2.50; Williamston, $2; Weldon, $15; Warrenton, $25; Warren Plains, $5; Oak Level, $1; total, $210.50. G. W. Ward, M. D., $1. Report then adopted.

Brother T. J. Taylor was appointed by the Association to take charge of debt on Roanoke Rapids church, and secured in cash and pledges more than $500.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The churches of Christ are responsible for giving the Gospel to the world. When Jesus commanded, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations," this obligation commenced, and it will not

cease until all the inhabitants of all the nations have heard the Gospel.

The Tar River Association is under obligation to give the Gospel to those who live within its bounds, to give the Gospel to the State, to give the Gospel to the destitute sections of our own beloved country, to give the Gospel to the world. To this end we should put forth our best efforts, and by giving ourselves to the great work, by earnest and importunate prayer, and by systematic, increased and free-will contributions, obey the last command of our blessed Lord. T. J. TAYLOR.

Report on Foreign Missions was next considered and read by brother T. J. Taylor, and after stirring remarks by brethren Taylor, Kendrick, Pace and Hufham, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

By Home Missions, we do not mean missions in your home or mine, specially, but missions in the home of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Board representing this part of our mission work is located at Atlanta, Ga., and brother I. T. Tichenor is its Corresponding Secretary. The field of labor includes our Southern States, the Indian Territory and Cuba. In this territory, the Board is helping those on the frontiers who are making homes there; also, the many foreigners who have been coming in such numbers to our shores, and the negro who looks to his white brother for aid, and many destitute places in the older States.

If we would take time to review the work accomplished by this Board during its little more than fifty years of existence, we would thank God and press into the battle with new courage and zeal. Its work among the Indians has been one of the agencies that has changed many of them from "the wild man of the West" to a people who have their churches, pastors and associations, and who are striving to follow the teaching of the New Testament. Many strong churches in the newer States owe their very existence to the Home Board; and even in our own beloved State the work has been helped materially by this Board. I am told by reliable authority that more than half of the strong churches in the cities of the South have been aided by this department of our work.

To-day the Board has something over four hundred missionaries busy at work on needy fields. They are going like white-winged messengers from Maryland to Texas, and from Missouri to Cuba, into the destitute and suffering with the Bread and Water of life.

To carry on this work, the Board is dependent upon the churches of this Association, and the churches of other associations throughout the South. The Board has the good fortune to not be endowed, and the work is to be carried on by our individual contributions.

A good work is being done by our churches and societies in send-

ing boxes of clothing and other supplies to the faithful workers on the frontiers.

This Association raised last year $140.25. To be sure, our calls are many, and some of us respond nobly. But let us remember that it is a God-given work, and we will be reproved or rewarded in proportion to the fulfilment of our duties. Let us, as ministers of His Gospel, earnestly lay this work upon the hearts of our people, and faithfully give of our substance, and we will soon behold such results as we have never seen before.

Respectfully submitted, FORREST SMITH.

Report on Home Missions was read by brother Forrest Smith, and was ably discussed by brethren Smith and Kesler, and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

From the papers heretofore submitted to the Association on the subject of Sunday Schools, to which I have had access, it seems that the burden of the reports has had reference to the church's need of an efficient Sunday School as a training place for very small children only, and they have contained many and valuable suggestion as to the means by which such an end might be attained. I shall, therefore, take it for granted that we are all of the same opinion on this particular point, and shall have nothing to say on it.

If it be granted that the Sunday School is a good place for small children, then the question becomes pertinent, at what age does its beneficial influence cease to be exerted, or is there a time of graduation? In answer to this, I take the ground that there is no limit. When once the child has arrived at an age when it can and ought to go, and does go, to Sunday School, it should continue at Sunday School, go on through the various classes and develop into Sunday School teachers or officers, as their special fitness may appear. I do not believe that anyone will seriously question this proposition; and yet many of us have a vague and indefinite idea that the Sunday School is a good place for small children, for girls, and perhaps even grown women might be benefitted by going, but that on Sunday morning the men, and especially the young men, must sleep late. I believe that the carrying out of some such idea is one of the serious drawbacks in the work of the church at the present day—that is, the lack of people in the church who are grounded in a knowledge of the Bible, and which knowledge has been acquired and rendered available and serviceable by long and continuous attendance upon Sunday School. I take it that is the view that obtained in olden time, for we read in Nehemiah, that after the chosen people had for years been strangers in a strange land, captives and without means of studying the Word, when at last they were again in the land of their fathers, and the holy city had been rebuilded, how joyfully they gathered together, "the men and the women and those that

could understand," and how patiently they stood all the morning and listened to Ezra as he read the Word, and afterwards certain teachers explain the scriptures to them till, as the blessed book says, they caused them to understand the reading. Has the mission of the Sunday school of to-day changed from what it was when this holy man of God, as superintendent of that Sunday school, stood up and taught the people ? Its mission then was to make known the Word and to see that it was thoroughly understood; and the people generally, and not the children only, were there. If it was proper that men and women should attend then, by what authority does anyone claim that they are exempt now ? According to my view, there is no statute of limitation in this matter. It is our duty, as well as our privilege and pleasure, to go to the Sunday School not only to be taught, but also to teach if it be that we have talents in that direction.

As a Baptist, I believe that when we can point to the Bible and say, "thus and so, saith the Word," that this is an end of the matter, and we have no difficulty whatever in finding express authority for the position here advocated. I wish simply to call these things briefly to the attention of the brethren, and ask them to study the subject carefully and conscientiously, and then do as they shall be led, and I have no fears but that the attendance at the various Sunday Schools will be very largely increased, and by a class of people who are much needed in the schools.

Respectfully submitted, THOS. B. WILDER.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by brother T. B. Wilder, and exceedingly interesting speeches were made by brethren Crudup, Jones and Vann, and adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

Our aged and infirm ministers who have worn their lives out preaching the gospel and spreading the doctrine so dear to us, richly deserve our sympathy and liberal financial support. Much of our wonderful growth and development as a great denomination in this State is due to their zeal and untiring labors during the years gone by. Our Ministers' Relief Board, located in Durham, N. C., is composed of nine judicious members who were selected by the Baptist State Convention. This Board is doing a blessed work in caring for thirteen of our aged fathers in Israel, or their families who have been left destitute, and have before them the names of others in every way worthy whose needs they are unable to supply for want of means. Your committee is sorry to note that the churches of our Association have done very little for this object during the past year, and would respectfully suggest to each of our churches that they take up at least one collection for this work during the year to come.

Respectfully submitted, G. L. FINCH.

Report on aged ministers next claimed the attention of the body. The report was read by brother G. L. Finch, who followed the report with an able address and strong appeal for help for these aged servants of the Lord. Remarks were also made by brethren Hufham and McKaughan, and the report was adopted.

The Treasurer of the Association offered his report, which was referred to W. H. Randolph to audit, who reported as follows:

I have examined the accounts of A. G. Wilcox, Treasurer of the Association, and find same to be correct.

W. H. RANDOLPH, Auditor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES.

Your Committee on Obituaries begs leave to report as follows: We should be very thankful because we have been called upon to mourn the loss of no officer of the Association, and no pastor; and comparatively few of the members of our churches have passed away, so far as heard from by your committee.

We note the demise of the following: Deacon S. S. Abernathy, of Brown's, a faithful and efficient member, died last June. Also, Mathew Hester, of Philadelphia church, passed away last December, aged 87 years. We note also the death of James H. Benton, of Cypress church, aged 50 years; Wm. Cooper was born February, 1810, and died June 5th, 1897.

The following have died among the sisters: Mrs. Fannie Motly, of Bear Swamp; Tabitha Thomas, aged 93 years. Clara Ann Strickland, of Samaria church, relict of B. T. Strickland, died a noble and good woman. Mrs. Eliza Johnson, of Hickory, an exceptionally good sister, aged 76 years. Sister Maggie McGee Young, of Weldon church, aged 49 years; though poor in this world's goods, yet rich in faith and good works; in her the church has lost one of its best workers. We note also the deaths of Mrs. G. F. Evans and Mrs. I. A. Sugg, of Greenville church. And last, we learn from the Recorder of the recent death of Mrs. Virginia C. Howell, wife of our esteemed brother, J. K. Howell, of Rocky Mount; in her we lose one of our best workers and a most excellent woman.

Respectfully submitted, W. C. NOWELL,
Committee.

Report on obituaries was offered by brother W. C. Nowell, which was adopted.

Brother T. B. Wilder offered the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

"Resolved, That we, the members of the Tar River Association, do extend our heartfelt thanks to the citizens of the vicinity of Stony Creek church for their kindness and Christian hospitality to us during our stay among them.

Respectfully submitted, T. B. WILDER.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

To the Tar River Association,
assembled at Stony Creek Baptist Church:

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report of the funds that have been paid into our hands:

Associational Missions	$1,221 57
State Missions	22 87
Home Missions	9 15
Foreign Missions	11 25
Orphanage	15 19
Education	11 33
Aged Ministers' Board	9 55
Minute Fund	64 16
Total	$1,365 07
We have received in cash	1,369 07
	$ 4 00

Showing a balance of $4 in favor of cash.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. CRUDUP,
J. W. ANDERSON,
M. T. DUKE.
Committee.

Oct. 7, 1897.

Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of Minutes printed, and receive usual pay. A cash collection of $6.64 was raised to re-imburse Clerk.

Peculiarly touching and tender remarks were made by the Moderator, brethren Smith, Reddish, McKaughan, Sledge, Duke and Hufham. "In the sweet bye-and-bye" was sung, and the parting was given. The closing prayer was offered by brother Hufham. The Moderator declared the Association adjourned to meet with the church in Weldon, on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1898.

N. L. SHAW, Moderator.

A. G. WILCOX, Clerk and Treasurer.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it best to be governed by certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted, unless he violate some rule of decorum.
4. The person speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject, and in nowise reflect on any other brother.
5. No brother shall absent himself from the Association without obtaining permission from the body.

6. No brother shall speak more than twice on the same subject without unanimous consent.
7. No person shall whisper while a brother is speaking.
8. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called as often as the Association requires.
9. The Moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but is entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
10. An order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session, and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the churches who shall produce letters certifying their appointment. Members thus chosen and convened, together with the pastors, shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor shall it infringe on any of their rights.
2. The letters from the churches shall contain the number then in fellowship and of those baptised, received by letter, dismissed, excluded and died since the last Association.
3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.
4. Other churches, upon petition by letter and by delegate, and after a satisfactory examination of their Articles of Faith, may be admitted to the body by a unanimous vote, when the Moderator shall give to their delegates the right hand of fellowship.
5. Every church in this Association is entitled to one representative, but no church is entitled to more than three.
6. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it may be debated or not.
7. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with copies of its Minutes.
8. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.
9. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive sessions, by letter or delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of the churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.
10. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.
11. Visiting brethren from sister churches, or similar bodies, may be invited to participate in our deliberations.
12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and to the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.
13. This Constitution is subject to alteration by a majority vote of the delegates enrolled at any session.
14. The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

PLEDGES—CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.
Antioch								50
Bethlehem								
Brown's	25 00						3 50	1 50
Bethel	8 10							25
Bear Swamp	1 00	1 00			1 33			1 06
Battleboro	20 00					5 00		1 00
Crocker's Chapel	5 00							75
Conoconary								50
Cypress Chapel		2 00						1 00
Cedar Rock	11 28							1 00
Castalia	5 00		1 61			36		75
Corinth	2 00	1 00		3 00	1 00	3 27		1 25
Dawson's	25 00							1 00
Enterprise	15 00							75
Enfield	12 00							25
Elm Grove	5 00							1 00
Ephesus	10 00	50		25		1 85	90	1 00
Eagles'	10 00							50
Elm City	50	5 00	5 00	2 00				50
Fishing Creek	10 00							64
Greenville								1 00
Gardners's	19 00							1 50
Gethsemane	15 00							50
Henderson	75 00							2 00
Hickory	11 50							90
Harriss' Chapel	15 00							1 25
Halifax	5 00							
Hobgood								50
Hamilton	10 00							60
John's Chapel	2 00							75
Littleton	9 75							
Louisburg	100 00							1 50
Maple Spring	25 00						2 00	2 00
Mt. Zion	15 00				2 00			1 50
Mt. Hebron			1 12	1 13				1 00
Middleburg	10 00	4 50						50
Macon	10 00							75
Mildred	10 00							
Marmaduke	3 15							60
Nashville	10 00			2 00				50
North Rocky Mount	10 00							50
New Hope								
New Bethel	15 00							1 30
Oak Level	5 00							50
Plymouth	25 00							
Poplar Spring	35 00				5 00			1 00
Peach Tree	5 00							1 00
Pleasant Grove	10 00							1 50
Philadelphia	16 10			25		50		1 50
Pactolus								
Pine Forest	10 00							50
Quankie	3 00							
Rocky Mount	25 00							2 00
Roanoke Rapids	5 00							50
Rock Spring	10 00							50
Reedy Creek	12 00							60
Red Bud								
Red Oak	15 00					85		2 00
Social Plains	2 50	87	42	62		61		40
Stanhope	8 00							1 00
Sulphur Springs	3 00	1 00			1 00			60
Scotland Neck	200 00							2 50
Spring Hope								
Samaria	10 50							1 50

PLEDGES—CHURCHES.—*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.
Sandy Creek	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 15	1 50
Stony Creek	10 00	1 00		1 00		50		1 50
Sharon								
Sharpsburg								
Tillery	20 00							76
Turkey Branch	2 19					25		45
Tarboro								
Williamston	25 00							1 00
Weldon	30 00	5 00					2 00	1 00
Washington	10 00							1 00
Wilson	3 00							2 00
Warrenton	50 00							1 50
Warren Plains	10 00							1 00
Cory's Chapel				No letter				50

PLEDGES—INDIVIDUALS.

C. T. Cheeves	2 50							
James A. Pope	5 00							
J. R. Pace	5 00							
Mrs. J. R. Pace	1 00							
Mrs. Dr. Edwards	5 00							
J. W. Sledge	10 00							
E. W. Shearin	5 00							
E. T. Barkley	2 50							
A. A. Pippin	5 00							
M. S. Griffin	5 00							
S. R. Griffin	2 50							
W. H. White	2 00							
W. C. Nowell	2 00							
L. A. Lloyd	5 00							
R. G. Kendrick	5 00							
G. M. Duke	10 00							
N. L. Shaw	20 00							
G. W. Coley	2 50							
A. G. Wilcox	10 00							
J. A. McKaugn	6 00							
R. T. Vann	10 00							
	$1200 57	$22 87	$ 9 15	$11 25	$11 33	$15 19	$ 9 55	$64 16

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	School Expenses.	Sunday Schools.	Orphanage.	Other Objects.	Foreign Missions.
Antioch	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	12	84		300	$11 00				
Brown's	S. L. Bobbitt, Axtell	6	29			4 84		2 00		
Brown's Branch No. 1.	W. B. Tunstall, Cokes, }	6	63			3 50				
Brown's Branch No. 2.	J. A. Tunstall, Cokes, }									
Battleboro	G. A. Ward, Battleboro	5	34	75	150	6 00		5 00		
Bethel	T. R. Bullock, Bethel	6	58		100	10 00				
Bethlehem	J. A. Carter, Littleton	8	72			8 70				
Bear Swamp	Bat. Bowers, Airlie	6	65	50		27 00				
Castalia	J. S. Batchelor, Castalia	7	40		30	1 86				
Cypres Chapel	W. J. Wilder, Spring Hope	4	114		50	4 00				
Cedar Rock	W. H. Smith, Stallings	11	75	50	80	12 00		5 00		
Corinth		8	75	200	108	10 00				
Dawson's	J. D. Lawrence, Dawson's	7	30	60	25	3 47		2 27		
Elm City	W. D. Carter, Elm City	4	30		50	25 00				
Elm Grove	J. H. Odum, Nashville	7	79		60	3 00				
Enfield	F. J. Dennis, Enfield	5	43	50	50	5 44	5 81	10 12		4 00
Enterprise	A. T. Barnes, Littleton	12	87		55	9 50				7 75
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	5	40	100	45	3 00		2 00		
Eagles'	Fred. Eagles, Crisp	5	48		50	10 00				
Fishing Creek	J. C. Sledge, Ita	5	20		20	3 00				
Gardner's	J. M. Coleman, Churchill	10	88		90	25 00				
Greenville	C. D. Rountree, Greenville	8	100	550	100	40 56		16 04		
Gethsemane	O. L. Pitman, Gethsemane	6	40		48	3 69		2 59		
Halifax	Miss Fannie Sater, Halifax	No statistics				4 00				
Hickory	T. E. Powell, Gold Rock	5	50		40	15 00		1 90		1 95
Harriss' Chapel	W. H. Mabry, Essex	8	56		30	6 33				
Hamilton	J. H. Sherrod, Hamilton	8	25	50	60	5 50		2 35		
Henderson	Thomas P. Stewart, Henderson	14	75	125	145	73 22		12 84		
John's Chapel	A. A. Morgan, Glover	6	60		38	2 50				
Louisburg	Thomas B. Wilder, Louisburg	10	120		195	50 00		10 00		
Littleton	Howard Browning, Littleton	8	69	120	60	24 00		5 00		
Marmaduke	J. S. Davis, Crup	7	45			5 00				
Mt. Zion	E. C. Jones, Laurel	10	193		100	21 00		2 80		

Maple Springs	Charles N. Beele, Mapleville	10	75	100	20	15 00				
Macon	Joseph L. Colman, Macon	11	35		35	6 49				
Mt. Hebron	S. T. Gupton, Centreville	8	82			4 00		90		1 32
Mildred	E. C. Knight, Mildred	4	27	50	200	8 00		5 00		
Middleburg	W H. Kimball, Middleburg	3	21		141	7 43				
North Rocky Mount	F. C. Gurgerson, Rocky Mount	7	42		125	26 26		17 45		
Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	4	25			7 25				
New Bethel	D. H. Dickie, Epsom	8	60			8 00				
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville	6	60		40	2 80				
Poplar Springs	John Griffin, Sutton. Three branch schools—no statistics.									
Philadelphia	J. T. D. Avent, Dukes	5	50		225	6 00				
Pleasant Grove	J. T. Winstead, Oakland	5	35			1 00				
Plymouth	Thomes Norman, Plymouth	11	128			21 00				
Pine Forest	J. A. Whitley, Everett	7	60		65					
Peach Tree	J. W. Gorden, Hunt	6	40							
Roanoke Rapids	R. C. Lassiter, Roanoke Rapids	7	40			27 43				
Rocky Mount	W. B. Spiers, Rocky Mount	7	63		100	40 00		44 73		
Red Bud	T. S. Collier, Cedar Rock	8	40		40	4 00				
Rock Spring	J. B. Wilcox, W. D. Harris, Louisburg. No report									
Reedy Creek	W. H. Tucker, Grove Hill	6	50	20		5 00				
Red Oak	No Superintendent given nor scholars			30	40	2 22		8 47		
Stony Creek	W. B. Harper, Rocky Mount	6	60	4	66	6 50				
Sharon	L. E. Hicks, Wise	7	59	50	50	13 00				
Social Plains	Jackson M. Brantley, Union Hope	4	40		22	2 96				
Samaria	J. R. Chamblee, Union Hope	6	75		26	9 97				
Spring Hope	J T. Fulford, Spring Hope	7	50		55					
Sandy Creek	E. A. Burnett, Oswego	11	123		90	15 00				
Sulphur Springs	R. E. Aycock, Vicksboro	7	35		32	8 80				
Stanhope	S. R. Pearce, Finch	6	50		25	2 00				
Scotland Neck		22	196	700	225	82 53		240 00		
Tillery	John G. Powell, Tillery	5	25		82	7 62		10 95		
Turkey Branch	George Saunders, Veni	6	35		27	4 00				
Wilson	D. S. Boykin, Wilson	13	90		60	40 00		15 00		
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	13	103	200	172	24 27		15 44		
Washington	Thomas J. Latham, Jr., Washington	12	77		108	47 30		20 23		
Williamston	Dennis Simmons, Williamston	8	74		89	11 75		21 26		
Warrenton	J. R. Rodwell, Warrenton	12	115	450	210	75 52	5 00	5 00		
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	6	46	50	108	25 08	5 84			
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NUMERICAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICES	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	4	2	2	2	2	----	15	24	----	39
Brown's	J. W. Tunstall, Cokes	3	11	1	2	----	1	59	77	----	136
Battleboro	R. E. Shearin, Battleboro	2	----	----	7	2	2	17	35	----	52
Bethel	W. A. Knox, Bethel	8	7	1	4	----	----	17	24	----	41
Bethlehem	J. A. Carter, Littleton	----	----	----	----	----	----	16	19	----	35
Bear Swamp	F. Chichester, Brinkleyville	11	----	----	----	1	2	81	90	4	175
Conoconary	James A. Pope, Crowell's	----	----	----	7	----	1	7	8	----	15
Castalia	J. D. Wheeler, Finch	----	7	----	7	1	----	20	19	----	39
Cypress Chapel	W. B. Stallings, Spring Hope	----	1	3	3	----	1	19	49	----	68
Crocker's Chapel	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	----	----	----	----	----	1	10	13	----	23
Carey	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Cedar Rock	John Coppedge, Cedar Rock	7	3	----	7	1	----	83	90	----	173
Corinth	Albert A. Dement, Engleside	4	10	2	5	----	1	52	74	----	126
Dawson's	W. J. Partin, Dawson's	25	7	----	1	1	1	71	78	----	149
Elm City	J. H. Barkley, Nashville	----	1	----	----	----	----	36	45	----	81
Elm Grove	C. H. Barnes, Nashville	8	7	2	2	2	3	41	89	----	130
Enterprise	Fletcher Bobbitt Littleton	7	7	2	----	----	----	42	65	----	107
Enfield	C. S. Alsop, Enfield	----	2	----	2	----	----	20	31	----	51
Ephesus	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	11	2	2	1	3	1	31	56	----	87
Eagle's	B. F. Eagles, Crisp	----	----	1	----	1	1	11	25	----	36
Fishing Creek	M. Bobbitt, Ita	----	----	----	7	12	1	26	37	----	63
Gardner's	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	4	10	----	6	5	1	60	87	----	147
Greenville	S. W. Lawrence, Greenville	7	12	1	5	----	3	46	71	----	117
Gethsemane	A. Anderson, Gethsemane	6	2	----	1	----	1	18	30	----	48
Halifax	J. A. McKaughan, Halifax	----	2	----	----	----	----	5	7	----	12
Hickory	B. F. Drake Gold Rock	----	1	----	----	2	----	19	27	----	46
Harriss' Chapel	B. Y. Harris, Essex	15	2	----	----	----	----	32	63	----	95
Hamilton	J. H. Sherrod, Hamilton	5	2	----	2	----	1	8	30	----	38
Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	----	----	----	----	----	1	25	11	----	36
Henderson	T. N. Pittman, Henderson	1	6	----	13	3	3	91	101	----	192
John's Chapel	J. P. Underwood, Eatman	5	1	----	----	5	----	24	30	----	54
Louisburg	T. B. Wilder, Louisburg	5	8	----	5	----	----	83	97	----	180
Littleton	L. W. Bagley, Littleton	15	10	----	9	----	----	45	60	----	105
Marmaduke	M. T. Duke, Marmaduke	7	4	----	----	2	----	14	17	----	31
Mt. Zion	W. H. Leonard, Laurel	24	1	1	1	----	4	62	116	----	178
Maple Springs	J. H. Uzzle, Mapleville	----	2	----	7	1	----	67	88	----	155

Macon	J. H. Nicholson, Macon	5	1	----	3	1	----	14	23	----	37
Mt. Hebron	S. T. Gupton, Centerville	6	1	2	4	----	4	49	100	----	149
Mildred	T. L. Knight, Mildred	5	----	----	1	----	----	21	29	----	50
Middleburg	C. J. Burton, Middleburg	4	----	----	3	1	2	16	20	----	36
North Rocky Mount	F. C. Furguson, Rocky Mount	9	11	----	2	----	1	20	29	----	49
Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	1	----	----	1	1	----	14	26	----	40
New Bethel	D. H. Dickin, Epsom	11	----	4	8	3	2	66	138	----	204
New Hope	John H. Vick	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	36
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville	----	3	----	----	----	1	12	20	----	32
Poplar Spring	John Griffin, Sutton	14	5	----	5	2	4	96	181	----	177
Philadelphia	C. P. Harper, Dukes	7	7	1	----	10	----	84	116	----	200
Pleasant Grove	W. G. W. Stone, Oakland	52	6	9	4	7	5	68	100	----	169
Plymouth	Henry Jackson, Plymouth	11	6	1	8	4	1	30	54	----	84
Pine Forest	D. L. Beach, Everetts	17	1	----	----	----	1	24	49	----	73
Peach Tree	J. H. Edwards, Hunts	----	8	----	1	----	2	52	104	----	156
Pactolus		----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----
Quankie	J. J. Cullen, Weldon	6	----	----	3	----	----	30	49	----	79
Roanoke Rapids	W. D. Tillery, Roanoke Rapids	----	8	----	2	----	1	13	14	----	27
Rocky Mount	C. E. Timmons, Rocky Mount	3	11	----	17	----	1	52	65	----	117
Rock Spring	J. H. Odum, Spring Hope	----	----	1	1	2	1	40	75	----	115
Reedy Creek	B. B. Davis, Crup	9	----	1	3	2	----	59	90	----	149
Red Oak	R. O. Critcher, Red Oak	1	11	----	3	3	1	54	60	----	114
Red Bud	R. E. Lancaster, Castalia	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	223
Stony Creek	T. E. Coley, Rocky Mount	----	----	----	2	----	----	32	29	----	61
Sharon	P. R. Perkinson, Wise	35	3	5	----	2	1	63	78	----	141
Social Plains	H. B. Hagood, Union Hope	----	----	----	3	----	1	9	21	----	30
Samaria	D. S. Carr, Spring Hope	25	----	----	3	5	2	56	113	----	169
Spring Hope	George W. Bunn, Spring Hope	1	----	----	3	----	----	15	23	----	38
Sandy Creek	J. R. Collins, Oswego	21	----	1	1	4	4	123	144	----	267
Sulphur Springs	D. S. Revis, Afton	5	----	1	----	4	----	19	34	----	53
Stanhope	R. S. Pierce, Finch	1	1	----	----	----	----	19	24	----	43
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	19	5	1	23	1	1	151	202	----	353
Sharpsburg	J. E. Adams, Sharpsburg	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	14
Tillery	B. F. Tillery, Tillery	11	4	1	2	----	----	33	24	----	57
Turkey Branch	W. J. Harden, Enfield	2	----	----	2	----	----	10	31	----	41
Tarboro	J. W. Ashburn, Tarboro	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	34
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	----	2	----	----	4	1	36	45	----	81
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	15	8	----	3	----	----	78	94	----	172
Wilson	B. F. Briggs, Wilson	1	7	----	14	17	3	48	109	----	157
Warren Plains	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	6	2	2	7	8	2	54	68	----	122
Washington	Thomas J. Latham, Washington	9	17	6	1	1	3	23	35	----	58
Williamston	J. W. Anderson, Williamston	2	3	----	----	2	2	17	41	----	58
		498	261	54	239	128	77	2,873	4,240	4	7,325

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Colportage.	Minutes.	Total.
Antioch	$ 40 00	$ 6 50		$ 60 00		$ 25 00	$ 2 21	$ 2 30	$ 5 00		8 00	6 12		$ 50	$ 107 00
Brown's	150 00				$ 8 20		1 25	1 12	1 62		8 53			1 00	208 33
Battleboro	75 00	1 50			2 42	20 00					7 15			1 00	112 34
Bethel	50 00	10 04			65	8 10								25	76 20
Betelehem	27 25			25 00		1 00								35	53 60
Bear Swamp						1 00	1 00	3 00	4 40	1 33				1 06	11 79
Carey															14 14
Conoconary	13 64													50	
Castalia	50 00					5 00		1 61			36			75	57 72
Cypress Chapel	50 00						2 00							1 00	53 00
Crockers's Chapel	30 00			21 68		5 00								75	57 45
Cedar Rock	100 00					11 28								1 00	112 28
Corinth	125 00				10 00	2 00	1 00		3 00	1 00	3 27			1 25	146 52
Dawson's	125 00					25 00	2 52	1 59	2 50		6 00			1 00	163 61
Elm City	100 00	25 00				50	5 00	5 00	2 00					50	138 00
Elm Grove	50 00													1 00	56 00
Enfield	100 00	2 80				12 00								25	115 10
Enterprise	100 00	5 00	5 00	50 00		15 00								75	175 75
Ephesus	60 00	4 30	3 10		4 00	10 00	1 60		1 45		2 85	90		1 00	89 20
Eagle's	100 00	8 30	10 00		21 00	10 00			5 00		10 00			50	164 80
Fishing Creek	50 00	80			85	10 00								64	62 29
Gardner's	150 00	20 00		25 00	10 00	19 00	7 71	7 68	6 52	3 25	7 28	3 00		1 50	260 94
Greenville	650 00	100 00			207 00		40 00	25 00	40 00		50 00			1 00	1,113 00
Gethsemane	40 00	1 41				15 00	60	40	1 66		1 75	96		50	62 27
Halifax	25 00	5 00		400 00		5 00									435 00
Hickory	100 00					11 50					12 05			90	124 00
Harriss' Chapel	75 00		1 50	5 00	10 00	15 00					2 39			1 25	110 14
Hamilton	50 00	10 00		2 00	2 50	10 00					6 25			60	81 35
Hobgood	25 00	45			1 45			21	41		1 14	45		50	29 61
* Henderson	1,000 00	123 75	21 33	36 04	519 05	75 00	68 40	85 04	82 45	53 36	130 03			2 00	2,332 82
John's Chapel	30 00				2 17	2 00								75	34 92
Louisburg	900 00	120 00	35 00		105 00	100 00	15 00	5 00	15 00	25 00	50 00	50 00		1 50	1,421 50
Littleton	300 00	38 82	2 25		35 73	9 75	35 00			5 00	15 00				441 55
Marmaduke				50 00		3 15								60	53 75

Mt. Zion	125 00		5 00			15 00				2 00			1 50	148 50
Maple Springs	200 00	2 50	12 50			25 00	9 60	7 50	7 50	4 00	21 50		2 00	292 10
Macon	100 00	25 00		114 38	50 25	10 00	4 50	2 09	4 34	1 50	2 00	1 50 8 97	75	325 20
Mt Hebron	50 00							1 12	1 13				1 00	53 25
Mildred	75 00	10 00				10 00			7 00					102 00
Middleburg	100 00	1 55			4 50	10 00	4 50	5 00	5 55	2 75	5 00	3 50	50	143 85
North Rocky Mount	75 00	36 67		40 50	32 46	10 00							50	195 12
Nashville	100 00	12 00				10 00			3 50				50	126 00
New Bethel	125 00	22 00	12 00	800 00		15 00					16 00		1 30	991 30
New Hope														
Oak Level	40 00			20 00		5 00			7 00				50	65 50
Poplar Springs	150 00		5 00		8 00	35 00		6 50	7 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 00	227 50
Philadelphia	100 00				2 72	16 10	2 00	3 00	2 00		75		1 50	128 07
Pleasant Grove	100 00		2 13			10 00					5 25		1 50	118 88
Plymouth	250 00				274 47	25 00	5 25	5 00	13 00		20 00			602 72
Pine Forest	50 00					10 00			2 00				50	62 50
Peach Tree	50 00	4 00											1 00	55 00
Pactolus														
Quankie	50 00			17 00		3 00		1 00	1 00					62 00
Roanoke Rapids	100 00	62 43	5 00		14 89	5 00							50	187 82
Rocky Mount	420 00	75 00	24 60	100 00	50 00	25 00		11 90	5 50		36 37		2 00	750 37
Rock Spring						10 00							50	10 50
Reedy Creek	100 00				13 24	12 00		1 00	1 67		5 00		60	133 50
Red Oak	100 00					15 00					18 10		2 00	135 10
Red Bud			6 44		2 50	7 75					17 50		1 50	35 39
Stony Creek	100 00	72 50				10 00	1 00		1 00		50		1 50	186 50
Sharon	150 00	30 00		40 00	14 00	29 25					12 00		75	262 00
Social Plains	25 00		1 50	10 00		2 50	87	47	1 62		61		40	42 97
Samaria	60 00					10 50		2 16			11 25		1 50	85 41
Spring Hope	75 00	10 40		13 50		5 00				1 00	3 25		60	108 75
Sandy Ceeek	100 00	10 00	20 00			5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 15	1 50	143 65
Sulphur Springs	60 00	50				3 00	1 00			1 00	1 00		60	67 10
Stanhope	40 00	3 00				8 00							1 00	52 00
Scotland Neck	1,000 00	260 00	125 00	10 00	265 00	200 00	71 28	60 91	57 38	42 50	190 00	5 00	2 50	2,492 12
Sharpsburg														
Tillery	150 00	24 00				20 00	1 55	1 87	8 44		6 09		76	211 71
Turkey Branch	40 00					2 19					25		45	42 89
Weldon	400 00	23 75		1182 63	18 00	30 00	18 04	5 16	28 02	13 05	16 64	2 00	1 00	1,378 03
Warrenton	550 00	108 42	4 15		77 50	50 00	11 52	11 84	36 41	32 75	89 25	7 10	1 50	980 94
Wilson	600 00	150 00	20 00		30 00	11 20							2 00	817 32
Warren Plains	100 00	27 89	2 00	24 00	4 00	10 09	2 93	2 04	4 57	20	20 41		1 00	199 04
Washington	139 41	36 39		210 39		23 07		3 55	6 59		20 23		1 00	441 13
Williamston	300 00	63 00		60 00	44 00	25 60	4 20	5 00	5 00		26 74		1 00	559 94
	$11,089 89	$ 1,559 62	$ 323 06	$ 3,124 08	$ 1,844 56	$ 1,159 04	$ 322 53	$275 96	$385 33	$195 69	$877 74	$81 68	$13 97	$66 80	$ 21,400 10

* Contributed to other churches $136.

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Executive Committee.

N. Biggs. J. W. Anderson. T. J. Taylor.
T. B. Wilder. E. E. Hilliard. Ed. Barkley.

Standing Committees.

To write on Sunday-Schools,.....J. R. Rodwell.
Aged Ministers,.....A. A. Pippin.
Obituaries.....J. K. Howell.
State Missions,.....A. Cree.
Home Missions,.....M. L. Kesler.
Associational Missions,.....E. E. Hilliard.
Foreign Missions,.....R. T. Vann.
Education,.....W. H. Reddish.
Orphanage,.....T. B. Wilder.
Periodicals,.....W. R. Cullom.
Temperance,.....J. E. Hocutt.

Ordained Ministers and Postoffices.

W. A. Ayers, Bethel.
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E. C. Bobbitt, Dukes.
J. B. Bridges, Spring Hope.
A. Cree, Littleton.
J. H. Colbert, Centreville.
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A. G. Wilcox, Brinkleyville.

PROCEEDINGS.

WELDON, N. C., October 4th, 1898.

The sixty-eighth annual session of the Tar River Association met in the Baptist church here to-day. After devotional exercises conducted by G. M. Duke, the roll of churches was called and the following responded:

Antioch—J. R. Parker.
Bethlehem—Ed. Pepper, J. A. Carter.
Browns—D. H. Reavis, J. A. Tunstall.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, June Crawley, James Harvey.
Battleboro—T. D. Wright, J. N. Britt.
Bethel—
Carey—By letter.
Conoconara—James A. Pope, James Ellen.
Castalia—S. E. Lancaster, T. W. Bartholomew.
Cypress Chapel—
Crocker's Chapel—E. H. Crocker.
Cedar Rock—T. W. Wheelis, J. Fulghum, I. A. Coppedge.
Corinth—L. H. Jones, Hugh Ellington, W. T. Clark.
Dawson—W. E. Barkley, J. H. Pope.
Elm City—
Elm Grove—W. J. Batchelor, J. D. Rissett.
Enfield—E. L. Pike.
Enterprise—W. H. Bobbitt, W. G. Bobbitt.
Ephesus—M. W. Batchelor.
Eagle's—
Fishing Creek—N. C. Alford, Elbert Shearin.
Gardner's—J. M. Coleman, W. A. Shaw, H. E. Rodwell.
Greenville—J. A. Hyman, A. W. Setzer.
Gethsemane—O. L. Pittman.
Halifax—R. H. Herring.
Hickory—T. E. Powell, S. N. Edwards.
Harriss' Chapel—B. Y. Harriss, W. H. Mabry.
Hamilton—
Hobgood—G. L. Merrell, J. D. Bunch.
Henderson—By letter.
John's Chapel—By letter.
Louisburg—T. B. Wilder, Forest Smith, George Cooper.
Littleton—T. R. Walker, A. Cree.
Marmaduke—M. T. Duke.

Mt. Zion—By letter.
Maple Springs—J. H. Sledge.
Macon—J. H. Nicholson, Daniel Pegram.
Mt. Hebron—By letter.
Mildred—
Middleburg—
North Rocky Mount—J. K. Howell.
Nashville—L. M. Conyers.
New Bethel—S. M. Hicks, G. T. Askew.
New Hope—W. H. White.
Oak Level—T. A. Boone, J. M. Boone.
Poplar Springs—By letter.
Philadelphia—A. C. Griffin.
Pleasant Grove—J. R. Coggin, G. T. Baines.
Plymouth—G. L. Finch.
Pine Forest—G. L. Merrell.
Peach Tree—
Pactolus—By letter.
Quankie—Frank Cullom, Ambrose Green, G. A. Branch.
Roanoke Rapids—C. N. Riggin, W. D. Tillery.
Rocky Mount—E. W. Shearin, Robt. Hester.
Rock Spring—B. F. Wilder.
Reedy Creek—By letter.
Red Oak—C. D. Jones, H. D. Griffin.
Red Bud—
Stoney Creek—J. J. Cooley, L. H. Harper.
Sharon—I. L. King.
Social Plains—
Samaria—J. R. Chamblee.
Spring Hope—By letter.
Sandy Creek—By letter.
Sulphur Springs—R. E. Aycock, Thos. Liner.
Stanhope—
Scotland Neck—B. F. Tillery, S. W. Edwards, R. M. Johnson.
Sharpsburg—
Tillery—J. C. Mullen.
Turkey Branch—Arthur Hull, L. A. Hull.
Weldon—B. A. Pope, R. T. Daniel, C. P. Rodwell.
Warrenton—N. L. Shaw, J. R. Rodwell, T. J. Taylor.
Wilson—W. H. Reddish, W. B. Penick.
Washington—By letter.
Williamston—G. L. Finch, J. W. Anderson.
Warren Plains—Geo. Frazier, W. E. Hawks.

The roll call being completed the Association was permanently organized by re-electing the former officers—these being N. L. Shaw, Moderator; W. E. Bowers, Vice-Moderator; and A. G. Wilcox, Clerk and Treasurer; and J. D. Hufham, Historian.

Bro. M. L. Kesler, R. G. Kendrick and J. R. Rodwell were appointed a committee on the order of business, who afterwards reported as follows: Meet this afternoon at 3 p. m. Address of welcome and report on Temperance; 4 p. m. Female University. 7:30, Introductory sermon. 8:45, State missions. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met promptly. Prayer by Bro. Hufham.

Rev. O. Ryder, pastor of the Methodist church, was welcomed to a seat with us. Visiting brethren invited to seats and accepted as follows: John Mitchell, representing the Board of Education; John E. White, Corresponding Secretary Board of Missions; O. L. Stringfield, representing Female University; Prof. W. R. Cullom, of Wake Forest College; F. P. Hobgood, of Oxford Female Seminary; J. W. Bailey, Editor Biblical Recorder; Bro. Cobb, of the North Carolina Baptist.

R. G. Kendrick, pastor of the Baptist church, and O. Ryder, of the Methodist church, in behalf of their churches and the people of the town delivered most cordial addresses of welcome, to which Bro. Vann in behalf of the Association fittingly responded.

On motion of Bro. Hufham, it was ordered that the address of welcome delivered by Bro. Kendrick be inserted in the minutes.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Delivered by Pastor R. G. Kendrick, Jr., of Weldon, to the delegates and visitors to the recent session of the Tar River Association.

Brother Moderator and Brethern and Sisters of the Tar River Association:—As pastor of this church it becomes my pleasant duty and coveted privilege on behalf of my church and congregation to extend to you, one and all, visitors and delegates, a most hearty welcome. For twelve months we have been living and working in high anticipation of your coming, and we hail your presence with unspeakable joy and ecstatic delight. And we trust that each moment of your sojourn among us will give you new proof of the unfeigned happiness that your presence brings.

This is a red-letter day with us—a day of great rejoicing. That feeling of complacency which follows as the inevitable result of patient toil and loving service; and that exultant spirit which is born only of a consciousness of glorious achievements, comes over us and fills our hearts as we greet you this afternoon. You have met on the border of that section of our State which has been, and much of which is still missionary ground for Baptists, where Baptists have had to contend against opposition from without and indifference within for every inch of the

ground they now occupy. It is in this section that they have been "a sect everywhere spoken against." It is here that our forefathers, like their blessed Lord and His Apostles, have been numbered with transgressors; for here they have been incarcerated in filthy jails, dragged before civil tribunals, and stood with bare backs at the whipping post to receive the scourge of the civil lictor. And for what? For what they believed and taught. Not far from here the waters of the river, on the bank of which you hold your sixty-eighth annual session, have been crimsoned with the blood of a Baptist preacher who dared to perform the holy ordinance of baptism as it was meant by the Founder of our holy religion to be performed. Here in the town in which you meet Baptists have had to struggle against great odds. I have it from unquestionable authority that when Joseph Deans, a Confederate chaplain and Baptist preacher who founded this church, first began to preach here early in the 60's, he met with opposition; that when he would post on the bulletin the day and the hour he was to preach in the hall, where all religious services were at that time held, immediately under would be posted by a preacher of a different persuasion an appointment for the same day and hour.

Such were the conditions under which this church began its life about a quarter of a century ago with no house and only nine members, one of whom is with us still, two are living elsewhere and the rest are reigning with Him for whom they suffered here below. But their descendants are with us still. With the spirit that actuated these nine, bequeathed from sire to son, under the faithful ministry and heroic leadership of men of God, this church has gone steadily forward, overcoming obstacles and surmounting difficulties and silencing opposition until it has won the position it holds to day, a place of respectability, to say the least, in the denominational world, a place of sincere esteem in the hearts of all true Christians of which the hospitality extended you by those now of our fold gives unmistakable evidence, and a place of influence and power—though by no means what it ought to be—in shaping and controlling the moral and religious thought and life of the community. And this band of nine has grown to nine times its original number and worship in this house in which you are seated.

We welcome you to rejoice with us not only for what we have wrought but for what we are as well. You have met with a church that whatever else may be said of it is Baptist to the core and has no apology to make for being such. You have met with a church that believes in traveling in the paths of truth in which our fathers trod, and in using the weapon of spiritual warfare with which they won such glorious victories for Christ and were enabled to hand down to us such a noble heritage, and that weapon is the untrammeled word of God in the hands of spirit-filled men and women. You have met with a church that is utterly intolerant of anything that savors of heresy, or has even the semblance of a departure from the truth as it is in Christ, but contends earnestly for the faith once and for all delivered to the saints. You have met with a church that stands shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart with you in the work you are seeking to do for God and humanity, that is in perfect accord with the plan and policy of our State and Southern Conventions, and makes regular contributions to all of the objects fostered by our great denomination.

We welcome you for what you are and for what you have done. You are no strangers to us. You are bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh,

a part of the spiritual body of Christ of which we are a part, members of the great household of faith of which we are a member. We are a household of faith just like the nearly four-score households of faith scattered throughout these nine counties in town and village and country place from which you are messengers sent with greeting to this our sixty-eighth annual family re-union. Over the thresh-hold of this our church home, over the thresh-hold of our private homes, and on the door-post of the heart of every loyal Baptist is inscribed, not with pen and ink, but with the finger of the Spirit of God in the blood of Jesus Christ the words, "Welcome! Thrice Welcome!"

And then we welcome you for what you have done. You are the centre from which movements have started that have shaped the history of our denomination in this and other States. You are the fountain from which living streams of influence and blessings have gushed forth and are now rapidly flowing down the river of time deepening and widening in their flow on and on out into the ocean of eternity.

It is among you that the Recorder has ever been a most welcome visitor. You have furnished our college with some of its most loyal and liberal supporters. It was in your midst that a new-born love for the orphans sprang up like the plants from the hot bed, the seedlings of which were taken up by messengers of mercy and borne to every nook and corner of our State and over its confines into Virginia and South Carolina. It was our own Watson and Fleming, our own Biggs and Simmons, by taking up the little fatherless ones in the arms of their love that brought us to that conception of childhood that our blessed Lord had when he took little children up in his arms and blessed them. It was none other than they that showed us by beautiful example that the example of Christ could be and ought to be imitated. It was none other than they that restored to its rightful place in our faith and practice that Bible truth that we had seemingly lost sight of, that the church of Christ is not only the divinely appointed institution through which God's elect are to be sought out and gathered together, but through which God's poor are to be sought out and cared for as well.

It is here that the great movement in behalf of associational evangelization which has been taken up by nearly every leading Association in our State, had its origin. It was through this movement that you helped to make us what we are to-day. In our distress you heard our cry and ran to our relief. As an orphan without the bread and water of life you supplied our wants. As a child unable to walk you helped us on our feet. And we make due acknowledgment of it to-day and ask that you look around and see the reward of your toil and sacrifice while we rejoice that we are become through your help fellow helpers with you to the truth. And it is through this movement that you have become what you are. Think of it! Less than a quarter of a century ago a weak and comparatively insignificant body you were. Now behold this vast army of captains and privates from three-score-and-ten, and more companies of Christian soldiers making an army seven thousand strong. By toil and sacrifice of consecrated men and women under the wise building and noble leading of spirits like the beloved Hufham and Duke, the Paul and Silas, and the incomparable Taylor and Vann and Morton, the Titus and the Timothy and the Mark of the Tar River Associational evangelization, you have become one of the mightiest factors of the mightiest factor God has ordained in Eastern Carolina for the emancipation of mankind from the thraldom of sin.

We welcome you because of your prospects for the future. We are on the thresh-hold of a wide-spread movement in behalf of world-wide evangelization, and you are not going to be left in the rear, but will be the van-guard of the great Baptist host marching to victory for Christ. You are going to extend your borders until every destitute part of our Association shall have the gospel as we hold it and preach it. You are going to hear the unmistakable voice of God as He has spoken to us in the victories of Manila and Santiago bidding Baptists to go in and win more glorious victories than were won by Dewey, Sampson or Schley. You are going to hear the cry that comes up from benighted Africa, from priest-ridden Italy, Brazil and Mexico, and from superstitious and prejudiced China. "Come over and help us."

We welcome you for what you will do for us. We have been praying that this may be the best session in all your glorious history; that every visitor and delegate might come filled with the Holy Spirit and thus quicken us into new and living life. We pray that your presence in our homes will lift us on a higher plane of Christian living, and forever enshrine you in our hearts as a sweet and hallowed memory. We pray that the inspiration caught from you may beget in us a zeal that shall never wane. We pray that the recounting of your toils and triumphs in our midst will lift us high on the mountain of aspiration and hope, from which we may never descend, but will climb higher and higher and higher still until expectant hope shall have changed to glad fruition and we shall rest serenely on the highest peak of victory crowned with ineffable bliss.

For these reasons again we say: "Welcome! Thrice Welcome!"

The hour for considering the claims of the Female University having arrived, we were addressed on this subject by O. L. Stringfield, R. T. Vann and J. D. Hufham.

After the usual announcements the Association adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Cree.

NIGHT SESSION.

The introductory sermon was preached by Forest Smith, of Louisburg, from Phil. 4:13.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The History of State Missions is virtually the history of the rise and progress of North Carolina Baptists, reaching from the year 1720 to the present time.

It is a work so clearly in accordance with divine commandment, with the spirit of Jesus and with the nobler impulses of the Christian heart and life, that it needs no argument to commend it to the sympathies of the Association.

Since the Board of Missions and Sunday Schools was organized our State Missionaries have preached the Gospel on over 4,000 destitute fields, and have organized at mission points more than one-third of the whole number of Baptist churches we now have in North Carolina.

And along with this God-blessed work of construction and evangelization every department of our denominational life has been stimulated, Education, the Orphanage, Home Missions and Foreign Missions, have felt and continue to feel the effect of State Missions on them in endowments, patronage, support and sympathy and an enlarged beneficence at the hands of our people.

Your committee is glad to report that the Baptists of North Carolina have a larger force of missionaries in the field this year than ever before in our history. One hundred and three regular missionaries are at work preaching the Gospel to three hundred and fifty-eight destitute points. The cause is being pressed by these faithful workers in fifty-six counties in North Carolina.

The reports from their fields as they have come in indicate encouragement and even enthusiasm. God is blessing the work in their hands. We may depend upon it, His grace will be poured out upon their labors. Ours is the duty of prayer and sympathy. It is the battle of our Christ which they are waging. the battle of our cause and our priceless principles. We should feel honored of God that we are co-laborers with Him in the great work of bringing North Carolina to own and honor our Master. The burden, if it is reckoned a burden, the responsibility, is on us to support this work and these workers.

We have planned and arranged the work this year on a $15,000 basis. All the year the missionaries have been at work, hopefully relying upon our faithfulness in paying the small amounts promised.

As yet only a small proportion of the amount needed has been raised. The day is now on us when each must do something.

We recommend to every pastor that he urge his churches to make an offering for State Missions by December 1st.

G. L. FINCH.

The report was read by G. L. Finch and spoken to by Secretary White, after which pledges to this object were made as follows:

Henderson,	$25.00
Scotland Neck,	25.00
T. J. Taylor's field,	25.00
Louisburg,	25.00
Plymouth,	25.00
R. G. Kendrick's field,	20.00
G. M. Duke's field,	20.00
Wilson,	15.00
M. L. Kesler's field,	10.00
A. G. Wilcox's field,	10.00
A. Cree's field,	10.00
R. H. Herring's field,	10.00
J. W. Powell,	5.00
J. K. Howell,	5.00
Ladies' Aid Society, Weldon Church,	3.00
G. L. Merrell's field,	3.00
G. W. Coppedge,	3.00

A cash collection was taken amounting to $11.39; total in cash and pledges $250.61.

The chair appointed as committee on time, place and preacher for the next session brethren J. W. Powell, Ed. Barkley, J. M. Coleman.

The Moderator extended greetings to new Pastors coming in among us since last session, brethren A. Cree, R. H. Herring and G. W. Herring.

Committee on order of business reported for Wednesday's session: Meet at 9:30 a. m. for devotional exercises; 10 a. m. Periodicals; 11 a. m. Associational Mission; 3 p. m. Education; 4 p. m. Orphanage; 7:30 p. m. Foreign Missions.

Association adjourned with benediction by Bro. Coppedge.

WEDNESDAY MORNING 9:30.

The Association assembled. Spent half hour in prayer and praise, led by M. L. Kesler. Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and approved. The special order having arrived the report on Periodicals was read by A. W. Seltzer.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It is impossible to estimate the benefits our denomination has derived from the publication and dissemination of denominational literature. But it remains a sad fact that large numbers of our people do not read. This is a condition that will require time and effort to overcome. We can never hope to enlist the sympathy and co-operation of all our Baptist people until they have received the proper information in regard to the great work now being done by the Baptists of the South; and one means of supplying this recognized need is by putting into their hands our denominational literature. No one will doubt that the contributions from our churches would be largely increased if the contributors knew more about the objects for which they are called upon for contributions.

All the departments of our denominational work are ably represented by publications in their interest. The Foreign Mission Journal, a monthly magazine published by the Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Virginia, is the representative of our Foreign Mission work. The Home Mission Board, located at Atlanta, Georgia, publishes the "Home Field" in the interests of our Home Mission work. Both these magazines are helpful for the information that may be derived from them. Much can be done by a special effort on the part of the pastor to put these publications in the hands of his people. Much information may also be gained from Mission Tracts published by each of these Boards, and can be had for the asking. Our Sunday School Board at Nashville, Tennessee, publishes a complete series of lesson-helps for use in our Sunday Schools. These helps are as good as the best. The literature of our own S. S. Board should be used in preference to that of any other. Your committee recommends, therefore, that the pastors and leaders of the S. S. who work within the bounds of our Association see to it that our Sunday Schools are supplied with the literature of our own Southern Baptist Convention.

There is no publication doing more real service to the denomination in our State than the Biblical Recorder, owned by Edwards & Brough-

ton, of Raleigh, two of the most worthy North Carolina Baptist laymen. Its editor is the brave, versatile J. W. Bailey, than whom there is no more brilliant and able editor in the South. The Recorder is the pastor's helper in all the work of the church, and we urge the pastors to make an effort to put it in every Baptist family.

Charity and Children published at our Orphanage at Thomasville is the representative of North Carolina Baptist Orphanage work. The influence of this paper is most powerful in the hands of our young people and children. Sunday school workers will find Charity and Children a great help to them in enlisting the sympathy of their Sunday school in the interest of the Orphanage.

Your committee recommends also that an effort be made to secure subscriptions to the North Carolina Baptist Historical Papers published by brethren Hufham and Pittman.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. WHICHARD.

After discussion by brethren Bailey, Vann, Cobb, Hufham and Hobgood, the report was amended by including in it the Historical Papers, and report adopted.

The hour for special order having arrived, G. L. Finch for chairman, read the following report on Associational Missions:

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION.

Associational Missions has been the one prominent work before this Association for more than twenty years. This was true because of the great destitution close to us. We felt called of God to enter the field and do our utmost to give the entire field the truth as we hold it. In our anxiety to do this work it may have seemed to some that we were neglecting more than we should the other work of the denomination, but it is a fact that this work has quickened us along all the other lines.

The Lord has done great things for us in the past, surpassing our expectation; and his goodness, coupled with his promises, should encourage us to greater liberality and patient, persistent effort on our part. We should go forward with renewed hope and united effort. Of the laborers in their fields we make the following summary:

G. L. Finch has been occupying five stations in Martin county. He has baptized four persons and he reports the field as white unto the harvest.

R. G. Kendrick has been preaching two Sundays in the month at Roanoke Rapids. He has baptized eight persons and twenty-four have been added by letter. The average attendance at Sunday school is eighty-five. The opportunities for doing good are very inviting.

G. L. Merrill has preached regularly twice a month at each of the churches at Hobgood, Halifax county, and Gethsemane, Edgcombe. He has also been occupying stations at Braswell's school house—Conoho and Hassell. He has also preached two sermons a month at Everetts. Meetings have been held with all the churches. Four were baptized at Everetts and one at Hobgood.

A. G. Wilcox has labored at three stations: Gupton's school house, Centreville, and Bethlehem. At the last named place six persons have been baptized.

M. L. Kesler has preached once a month at Enfield. Repairs have been made to the house of worship, involving an expense of $250, and five have been added by letter. The congregations are good and the prospects are bright.

J. W. Powell has been preaching at Hamilton and at two school houses. On this field six have made profession of faith and two have been baptized.

G. M. Duke, A. A. Pippin and A. W. Setzer have done volunteer mission work in Pitt, Edgecombe, Wilson and Nash. Some fifty persons have been paptized on the mission fields during the year.

G. W. Coppedge has labored once a month at Crocker's Chapel, Nash county, and has baptized five persons at that place.

At Washington, J. N. Booth has given all his time. About twenty have been added to the church and the conditions have been greatly improved.

At Tarboro, N. S. Jones has been laboring as missionary pastor. He has baptized nine persons and he reports the work at that place in better state than he has known it.

R. H. Herring has been preaching at Halifax and at three other points in Halifax county. He reports five baptized, and though there are some things discouraging, yet good seed has been sown and the outlook is hopeful.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. DUKE.

After stirring remarks by brethren Duke, Hufham and Kesler the roll of churches was called and pledges for the ensuing year were made as follows:

Scotland Neck,	$ 200.00	Eagle's,	$10.00
Louisburg,	100.00	Fishing Creek,	12.50
Henderson,	75.00	Macon,	10.00
Warrenton,	50.00	Middleburg,	10.00
Rocky Mount,	35.00	Nashville,	10.00
Weldon,	35.00	New Bethel,	10.00
Philadelphia,	30.00	Pleasant Grove,	10.00
Brown's,	25.00	Pine Forest,	10.00
Dawson's,	25.00	Peach Tree,	10.00
Greenville,	25.00	Roanoke Rapids,	10.00
Littleton,	25.00	Rock Spring,	10.00
Stony Creek,	25.00	Reedy Creek,	10.00
Sharon,	25.00	Samaria,	10.00
Maple Springs,	25.00	Sandy Creek,	10.00
Poplar Springs,	25.00	Warren Plains.	10.00
Gardener's,	20.00	Stanhope,	8.00
Plymouth,	20.00	Castalia,	5.00
Red Oak,	20.00	Crocker's Chapel,	5.00
Williamston,	20.00	Elm Grove,	5.00
Corinth,	15.00	Halifax,	5.00
Elm City,	15.00	Hobgood,	5.00

Conoconary,	$15.00	Marmaduke,	$5.00
Enfield,	15.00	North Rocky Mount,	5.00
Gethsemane,	15.00	Quankie,	5.00
Hickory,	15.00	Spring Hope,	5.00
Harriss' Chapel,	15.00	R. E. Aycock,	5.00
Mt. Zion,	15.00	Sulphur Springs,	5.00
Red Bud,	15.00	C. C. Williams,	5.00
Tillery,	15.00	Turkey Branch,	5.00
Wilson,	15.00	John's Chapel,	2.50
Battleboro,	10.00	Oak Level,	2.50
Cedar Rock,	10.00	New Hope,	2.00
Enterprise,	10.00		
Ephesus,	10.00	Total,	$1,242.50

Report adopted.

On motion of Bro. Vann, Bro. Duke was requested to correspond with churches not represented and ask them to stand by last year's pledges.

The chair recognized A. J. Barton, Asst. Cor. Sec. of our Foreign Mission Board.

Committee to nominate delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions reported as follows:

Your committee recommend that the following brethren be appointed delegates to our State Convention:

A. G. Wilcox, R. T. Vann, A. W. Setzer, Forest Smith, J. W. Powell, W. H. Reddish, G. W. May, M. L. Kesler, R. G. Kendrick, G. L. Finch, J. T. Edmondson, G. M. Duke, J. D. Hufham, G. W. Coppedge, T. J. Taylor, R. H. Herring, J. A. Bridgers, J. K. Howell, G. L. Merrell, A. Cree, E. C. Bobbitt, A. A. Pippin, J. M. Coleman, M. T. Duke, N. L. Shaw, E. E. Hilliard, T. R. River, Dennis Simmons, J. W. Smithwick, T. B. Wilder, J. A. Coppedge, L. H. Jones, Fletcher Bobbitt, S. S. Alsop, W. W. Rosser, D. J. Whichard, T. P. Steward, J. W. Anderson, G. C. Weeks, B. A. Pope, W. E. Daniel, E. S. Green, Jr., J. A. Andrews, W. H. White, H. A. Nicholson, J. B. Baker, E. W. Shearin, W. B. Tillery, W. D. Harriss, Thos. Wentry, W. A. Dunn, N. Biggs, E. T. Barkley, J. R. Collins, W. H. Randolph, I. L. King, J. N. Booth, J. R. Rodwell.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention: R. T. Vann; alternate, Forest Smith. Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by Bro. Barton.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association assembled. Prayer by Bro. Spilman.

The chair welcomed to seats the following brethren: Gower, Spilman, Long and Peebles.

Bro. Mitchell addressed the body on Ministerial Education and called the roll of churches and secured pledges for the year as follows:

Antioch,	$2.50	North Rocky Mount,	$2.00
Brown's,	5.00	L. M. Conyers (paid),	1.00
Battleboro,	2.50	Sam Hicks (paid),	1.00
Bethlehem,	1.00	Poplar Springs,	5.00
W. E. Bowers, (paid)	1.00	Philadelphia,	5.00
Conoconary,	2.00	Pleasant Grove,	2.50
S. E. Lancaster, (paid)	.50	Plymouth,	2.50
Cedar Rock,	2.00	Peach Tree.	2.50
Corinth,	2.50	Quankie,	1.00
Enterprise,	5.00	Roanoke Rapids,	2.00
Enfield,	2.50	Rocky Mount,	10.00
Ephesus,	2.50	Rock Springs (paid),	.50
Fishing Creek,	2.50	Reedy Creek,	2.00
Gardners,	5.00	Red Oak,	2.50
Greenville,	15.00	Red Bud,	1.00
Gethsemane, (paid)	1.00	Stony Creek (paid),	1.00
Hickory,	2.50	Sharon,	5.00
Harriss' Chapel	2.00	Sandy Creek,	2.50
Hamilton,	2.50	Scotland Neck,	50.00
Hobgood,	1.00	Tillery,	2.50
Henderson,	25.00	Weldon,	5.00
Louisburg,	20.00	Warrenton,	25.00
Littleton,	5.00	Wilson,	10.00
Marmaduke,	2.00	Warren Plains,	2.00
Mount Zion,	2.50	Williamston,	2.00
Maple Springs,	5.00		
J. H. Nicholson (paid),	1.00	Total,	$269.50
Middleburg,	3.00		

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

[Sent after Association adjourned.]

The better and higher sentiment in regard to education which has been rapidly gaining ground within the past few years needs to be crystalized. There is still a wide-spread notion in favor of estimating the value of education from a commercial standpoint; but we are happy to believe that that sentiment is giving way to the better one that true education is that which develops us to the fullest extent mentally, morrally and physically, and makes as much of each individual as the physical frame with which each has been endowed is capable of. We want to educate another generation into men and women as near like God wants them as we can. If their education makes them more able to make a living, why, good! if it broadens their intellect, why, very good! But be it remembered that these are mere by products, and not to be striven for unless that living and that intellect is to be used in the service of a beneficent God who desires the very most good to all his creatures.

Christian education is gaining ground, but not as rapidly as we would like to see. Let us contribute our part towards hastening that day when the Gospel of Jesus Christ shall form the chiefest part of the education of every person in their course of instruction from the cradle to the grave.

Let us give our active support to our denominational schools and colleges and let each one in his own neighborhood give his personal efforts for these institutions.

Let us bear in mind, too, that the home education needs to be carefully attended to—that most lives are shaped for weal or woe by the time the child gets to its tenth year. Instruct the children in God's truth in your homes by precept and example; but especially by example, for it will have more weight with them. And the Sunday school—Oh, the Sunday-school, let it not be neglected or overlooked! It is the chiefest of all educational institutions, and is second only to the church of God, of which it is indeed part and parcel.

Let us get as many of our sons to Wake Forest as we can, and let us get as many more of our sons and daughters to our other denominational institutions as we can. Let us give them all christian instruction in the truth at home and send them all to Baptist sunday-schools the year round.

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. CRUDUP.

The report on the Orphanage was read by Bro. Bowers, and remarks were made by Bro. E. E. Hilliard. Cash collection of $14.57 was taken.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: That we visit the widow and the fatherless. Moved by this spirit, our Orphanage Association was organized 14 years ago, and a home builded. Near 500 orphans have been visited, gathered together and cared for body and soul. Prompted by this same spirit, it is supported entirely by voluntary contributions. With 180 orphans present and untold numbers yet unsheltered, the demand is upon us to correspondingly increase our facilities. The General Manager's house has been built but not entirely paid for. A system of water works is being considered. Some noble friends of the Orphanage have fallen by the way, but they have erected their own monuments and left the same spirit behind that prompted them, which will linger here, while the Spirit of the Master rises in our bosoms and there are helpless orphans.

We recommend that the General Manager furnish the orphans intrusted to his care systematically with three meals a day, and that the churches and Sunday-schools adopt a system of giving that will furnish the same. Charity and Children represents the Orphanage and deserves the support of its friends.

Respectfully,

W. E. BOWERS.

Report adopted.

Adjourned with benediction by Bro. Coppedge.

NIGHT SESSION.

Prayer by Bro. Hufham.

The following Executive Committee was appointed by the chair for

next year: N. Biggs, T. B. Wilder, J. W. Anderson, E. E. Hilliard, T. J. Taylor, Ed. Barkley. By special motion the Moderator was added.

On motion of Bro. Vann Miss Fannie E. S. Heck's report of the Woman's Missionary Societies to the Tar River Association was read and ordered printed in the minutes.

MISS HECK'S REPORT.

It is with pleasure that the Woman's Central Committee of Missions for our State reports to you our ever growing work of the Woman's Missionary Societies. This work, begun a little more than eleven years ago by order of the Baptist State Convention, has made steady and remarkable progress from the first. The annual gifts of the societies have increased from $500 to more than $6,000, and the number of societies contributing from fourteen to nearly four hundred. In the eleven years of the committee's work the societies have reported to Home, Foreign and State Missions the large sum of $37,771. In a number of the Associations Associational Vice-Presidents have given untiring effort to the organization and maintenance of societies. In no Association, however, have as many societies been organized as we would wish, and in none has our aim—a Woman's Missionary Society in every church and every woman a member of it—been realized. While gratefully acknowledging the assistance of many of our most influential ministers in the past, we would earnestly ask the aid of every minister and layman for the woman's missionary work of the future. The great blessings that God has seen fit to bestow upon our efforts is an assurance that this work is from him.

In the seventy-eight churches in this Association eighteen societies reported last year to the Woman's Central Committee as follows:

Washington,	$ 9.00	Maple Springs,	7.40
Sandy Creek,	2.00	Enfield Sunbeams,	3.36
Willing Workers, Wash'ton,	5.75	Battleboro,	5.15
Poplar Springs,	22.50	Peach Tree,	1.13
Sunbeams, Henderson,	100.24	Weldon,	5.00
Henderson,	51.60	Gardner's,	1.75
Scotland Neck,	52.24	Wilson,	8.05
Sunbeams, Scotland Neck,	6.94	Littleton,	5.00
Rocky Mount,	7.55		
Sunbeams, Maple Springs,	2.00	Total,	$297.65

Rejoicing in the progress we have made, and again asking your sympathy and aid in the work we are endeavoring to do, I am,

Yours very sincerely,
FANNIE E. S. HECK.

The subject of Education was further considered and Prof. W. R. Cullom presented the claims of Wake Forest College. The report on Foreign Missions next claimed the attention of the body. Bro. Taylor offered the report which was ably discussed by Bro. Barton:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

For the purpose of convenience the mission work of our Southern Baptist Convention is divided into several departments. That department of work which has for its object the preaching of the gospel in foreign

countries is called Foreign Missions. The Foreign Mission work is not of recent origin, but is as old as the gospel of Christ.

The history of Foreign Missions is the record of the plans and efforts; the sufferings and sacrifices; the failures and successes of the people of God in striving to carry out the last commission of our blessed Lord.

Southern Baptists have Missions in China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Japan. The following figures give some idea of the state of the work of Southern Baptists in Foreign lands in 1897: No. churches 102; out stations 92; No. of missionaries, males 32, females 41; ordained natives 41; baptized 70; total membership 4,760; contributions made by converts from heathenism $6,556.76. These figures reveal the little light that is shining in the midst of a darkness that is dense and deadly, and by the work of Foreign Missions we are striving to send the gospel that saves to the nations that are without God.

The Tar River Association has from its organization been a missionary body. Much has been done at home. We must not diminish but rather increase this work. But we should do more—a great deal more than we have done, for the purpose of bringing the heathen nations to Christ. We therefore recommend that an earnest effort be made to raise one thousand dollars from the churches in this Association during this Associational year for Foreign Missions,

T. J. TAYLOR,
Committee.

Report adopted.

The following standing committees were appointed for the year:

Sunday schools,.....J. R. Rodwell.
Aged ministers,.....A. A. Pippin.
Obituaries,.....J. K. Howell.
State Missions,.....A. Cree.
Home Missions,.....M. L. Kesler.
Associational Missions,.....E. E. Hilliard.
Foreign Missions,.....R. T. Vann.
Education,.....W. H. Reddish.
Orphanage,.....T. B. Wilder.
Periodicals,.....W. R. Cullom.
Temperance,.....J. E. Hocutt.

The chair appointed E. E. Hilliard Auditor of the Association.

Committee on order of business reported for tomorrow: Thursday 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises; 10 Home Missions; 10:45 Aged Ministers; 11:30 Sunday Schools; 12 Obituaries; 12:30 Temperance.

Miscellaneous—

Adjourned. Benediction by Bro. Pippin.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

After the usual devotional services, which were led by Bro. Herring, the minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The hour for

special order having arrived, the report on Home Missions was read by W. H. Reddish as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The location of the Home Board is at Atlanta, Ga., with Dr. I. T. Tichenor as the Corresponding Secretary.

Its field of labor is the destitute parts within the borders of the Southern States, Indian Territory, Cuba, and now it has added to its responsibility Porto Rico.

This Board has a brilliant history. It has gone into the destitute portions of this South land where wickedness and vice reigned supremely, and into Cuba where debauchery, superstition and the galling yoke of Roman Catholicism were crowding out all the finer sensibilities, and has rescued her thousands.

Some of our best churches in our leading towns and cities are under lasting obligations to the Home Board.

The frontier work has been and is to-day, a most wonderful achievement, but there are thousands in the frontiers who are crying now to you and to me for the gospel.

There are no missionaries who suffer more privations than our brethren and sisters who labor in the frontiers. Shall we not go to their aid with our money and with our prayers?

Our work among the negroes of the South has been blessed greatly. Still it rests very largely with Southern Baptists what the negro shall be. We are better suited for his evangelization than any other people.

As to Cuba and our new field, Porto Rico—these islands afford a very great, if not the greatest field for labor at present, within the borders of the Home Board.

Cuba belongs to Southern Baptists. We have the only organized Protestant church on the island. The bloody flag of Spain is furled on this island forever, and it only remains for us to return and claim our own. We have sent already Bro. J. R. O'Halloran to Santiago, and Bro. Diaz is also on the island.

Shall we not send brethren and sisters to Porto Rico as well? We know of no greater opportunity nor a more weighty responsibility than the opening up of this new field has laid upon the Home Board. "The harvest is great," and the laborers are crying, "Here am I; send me."

The Board is dependent upon the churches of the South to do all this vast amount of work.

Last year this Association gave to Home Missions $275.96; exceeding the offering of the year before by $135.71.

Now in this Associational year, upon which we are now entering, let this Association raise at least $500.00 for this grand object.

Let every pastor here return to his pulpit with a mind and heart to lay this work upon the hearts of his people and we shall realize very soon marvelous results.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. REDDISH.

After stirring remarks by brethren Reddish, Kesler and Vann, report was adopted.

Committee on time, and place and preacher reported as follows:

Warren Plains—Thursday after 1st Sunday in Oct. 1899 (which was

amended by substituting Tuesday.) To preach Introductory sermon, M. L. Kesler; Alternate, R. H. Herring.

J. W. POWELL,
ED. BARKLEY, } Committee.
J. M. COLEMAN,

Report on aged ministers read by Bro. John Coppedge and without discussion was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERS' RELIEF BOARD.

Our ministers, consecrated men of God that they are, labor for the Master's glory and our spiritual up-building, looking not to the rewards of this life, but like Moses, having "respect to the recompense of the reward." As long as they are competent to the active duties of the full work of the ministry they receive from the churches, at most, only a fair support, with nothing to spare for accumulating a fund for affliction, or old age, even if they were so disposed. It would be a reproach to our profession of Christianity if we should neglect to contribute to relieve the necessities of the aged and infirm among these, our brethren, to whom the Lord's cause among us is so deeply indebted to us on account of their labors and sacrifices. Humanely and wisely our convention has organized a Ministers' Relief Board, constituted of nine trustees, faithful and discreet brethren. This Board located in Durham is doing a blessed work in caring for thirteen of our worn out and needy ministers, or their widows, who have been God's messengers to us.

So little is being done by our churches generally for this object that there remain many cases of destitution either of aged ministers or of their bereaved families which the Board finds itself unable to relieve for want of means. Since our last convention at Oxford to this date there has been received by this Board about $428.00. Up to this same time last year, 1897, there had been contributed by the churches about $500. For some cause there has been a considerable falling off in the contributions this year. Brethren, this should not be the case, the amounts contributed should be increased.

I would respectfully recommend and urge that each of our churches in this Association take up during the coming year, at least one collection for this object, and forward the amount thus raised immediately to the Treasurer of the Ministers' Relief Board, Durham, N. C. The need is urgent.

Respectfully submitted,
JNO. A. COPPEDGE.

Report on Sunday-schools called for. In absence of Report Bro. Spilman and Bro. Hufham addressed the body.

Report on obituaries was read by Bro. Kesler for chairman and was adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

DR. R. D. FLEMMING.

Richard Davis Flemming was born in the county of Warren, on the 26th day of May, 1835. He was educated at the Warrenton Academy, and subsequently attended the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery, from which he graduated in 1856. He located in the town of Warrenton, and built up a large practice. In 1869 he removed to Hopkins-

ville, Ky., where he remained ten years; from there he removed to Raleigh, where he resided two years, and from thence he returned to Warrenton and spent the last years of his life amid the scenes of his childhood. As a business man Dr. Flemming was remarkably successful, as a citizen he was loyal to what he esteemed the best interest of his country, and took a lively interest in everything that affected his community, his state, and the country at large.

He made a profession of religion in 1853 and united with the Warrenton Baptist Church, and from that time remained an earnest, energetic, and progressive member of the Baptist Church to the day of his death.

Dr. Flemming was interested in the various enterprises for the spread of the Redeemer's Kingdom, but he gave his best love and best efforts to the Orphanage and the Sunday-school work. He wrote the first line that led to the founding of the Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, which Dr. Hufnam said he would rather have written than to have been the author of the Declaration of Independence.

He died in the city of Richmond, Va., on the morning of Sunday, April 3rd, 1898, leaving behind him a memory fragrant of good deeds.

"Only the actions of the just
Smell sweet and blossom in the dust."

Truly, a great man has fallen in Israel.

MRS. DELLA M. SHAW.

Della M. Clark was born in Greenville, N. C., on the 9th day of February, 1840. She was educated at the Warrenton Female Institute, from whence she graduated in 1856. A year later she was married to Col. William A. Jenkins, a prominent member of the Warrenton bar, and resided in Warrenton until her death on the 23rd of November, 1897.

Col. Jenkins died in 1869 and in 1885 she was united in marriage to Brother N. L. Shaw, the Moderator of this Association.

In her will she bequeathed two lots valued at $750 to the Warrenton Baptist Church, and also, a residuary interest in a store lot to the Ministerial Fund of W. F. College.

As a christian she was sincere and devout, as a neighbor loyal and true, and in all the relations of life she conscientiously strove to do right. The battle of life is ended, its cares and duties past, and henceforth remains to her,

"the amaranthine wreath
That twines the victor's crown."

Mrs. Sarah E. Lloyd departed this life at her home near Warren Plains on March 12th, 1898, in the thirtieth year of her age. She professed religion in her childhood, and about twelve years ago united with the Baptist Church at Warren Plains and continued a consistent and highly valued member of this church until she was called up higher.

Sister Lloyd was a good woman, and her husband, her two children, and all her kindred have sustained a great loss.

Brother Alexander Bennett, a member of Warrenton Baptist Church, passed away on the 2nd day of June, 1898, in the 72nd year of his age. Brother Bennett united with the Baptist Church in 1851.

As a christian, he was earnest, sincere and faithful. He loved his church and his church loved him. He was a kind husband and father, a good neighbor, a loyal and faithful citizen and a faithful christian. Our brother passed away in the full assurance of the blessed hope.

James Albert Edgerton was born in 1814, and was called to his reward August 4th, 1898, in the 84th year of his age.

He united with the Warrenton Baptist Church about forty five years ago. For the past twelve years he has been a member of Warren Plains Church. For many years Brother Edgerton attended the Tar River Association and the Baptist State Convention, as a delegate. He frequently served on important committees. He was a valuable member of the church, was a consistent christian, an honest man, and a good citizen.

A large circle of friends and relatives mourn their loss.

Sister Susan O. Brown, of Greenville Church, died July 10th, 1898, in her 74th year.

Sister Brown united with Greenville Church forty-five years ago, and during that time she lived a faithful, loyal life to her church and her God. She lived a quiet, sweet, christian life and her memory will be cherished as a rich legacy.

Brother R. M. Spier, of Pactolus Church, passed away in his 79th year. He had been a member of the Baptist Church for fifty years, and a deacon in Pactolus church since its organization. He was the leader in his church, and it has suffered a great loss in his death.

Brother John T. Lawrence, of Dawson's Church, departed this life in the seventy-sixth year of his age. He had been a member of the Baptist Church for a great many years; first, at Conoconara, then Scotland Neck and afterwards at Dawson's.

He lived a faithful christian life and will be sadly missed in his church and community.

Sister S. W. Nowell, wife of Rev. W. C. Nowell, died on the 18th day of April, 1898, aged about sixty-three years. She had been a member of the church since her early youth.

Sister W. G. Speight, of the Williamston Church, and Brother J. R. Weeks, of Tillery Church, died during the year. We have none of the facts of their lives.

Sister Rebecca Bryan, who has been a member of Dawson's Church about fifteen years, died about September 15th, 1898, at the age of 75 years.

Sister Mary P. Alsop, of the church at Enfield, went to her reward October 12, 1897. This brief notice cannot tell the loss to the home of her brother, her church and her community.

She was born in Virginia. In early life she entered the Master's service, which was to her an increasing delight till she was called away in the very noontide of her usefulness. Her life is a very important part of the history of the Baptist struggle in Enfield.

We give her an honored place among those who have been faithful in times, when to human sight, there was little promise of success. (This note was appended by her pastor.)

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. ALSOP, Com.

Report on Temperance was read by Bro. Herring, which without discussion was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Paul reasoned about righteousness, temperance and the judgment to come. Temperance in all things is enjoined upon us by the Scriptures, but in speaking of wine the wisest man said: "Look thou not upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." There are many forms of intemperance, but none preys upon our people like alcohol. Nor are our churches free from its influences. Many of our pastors testify that it gives more trouble than any thing else in their churches.

It is a well known fact, much to our discredit, that many of our brethren visit saloons and habitually drink liquor as a beverage. These things should not be so. There should go out from our churches no uncertain sounds on this question. We are the light of the world. I, therefore, admonish our pastors and people to see to it that those offending in this way shall be lovingly but firmly disciplined, and I urge the importance of faithfully and continously warning and teaching the people along this line until a moral sentiment shall have been formed strong enough to sweep the last vestige of the terrible curse, not only from our churches, but from our country as well.

R. H. HERRING, Committee.

Treasurer of Executive Committee Report with Treasurer of Association was offered and audited, all of which was adopted.

REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

TAR RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

To N. BIGGS, Treasurer.

1897.				
Sept. 1.	To cash paid	A. G. Wilcox	$	50 00
"	"	"	G. L. Finch	25 00
"	"	"	R. G. Kendrick	100 00
"	"	"	J. W. Powell	87 50
"	"	"	J. W. Sledge	25 00
"	"	"	A. A. Pippin	12 00
"	"	"	M. L. Kesler	12 33
"	"	"	J. E. Hutson	75 00
"	"	"	J. T. Edmondson	25 00
"	"	"	A. Cree	18 75
"	"	"	J. N. Booth	300 00
"	"	"	N. S. Jones	250 00
"	"	"	G. L. Merrill	187 50

Sept. 1.	To cash paid G. W. Coppedge	12 00	
" " "	W. A. Ayers	50 00	
" " "	R. H. Herring	50 00	
" " "	D. B. Ricard	50 00	
		1,330.08	

CRS.

1897. Oct. 1.	By amount due Association this day	$ 4 73
	By amount from Association	1221 57
	Sharon Church	29 25
	Gardner's	1 00
Nov. 3.	Spring Hope	5 00
1898.	Red Bud	7 45
Mch. 26.	J. C. Caddell	2 00
	Ivey Allen	2 00
July 22.	Washington Church	8 35
Aug. 5.	A. Johson	5 00
1898.		$1,286.35
Oct. 1	To balance due me this day	$43 73

REPORT OF TREASURER.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION

In account with A. G. WILCOX.

RECEIPTS.

1897 Oct.	Rec'd from Finance Com. for State Missions	$ 22 87
" " " " "	Home "	9 15
" " " " "	Foreign "	11 25
" " " " "	Orphanage	15 19
" " " " "	Aged Ministers	9 55
" " " " "	Minutes	64 16
" " " " "	Education	11 33
"	Cash collection for Orphange	41 45
"	Sharon Ch. for Associational Missions	29 25
" " " "	Minutes	75
"	Spring Hope " Associational Missions	5 00
" " " "	Education	1 00
" " " "	Minutes	60
"	Red Bud for Associational Missions.	7 45
" " " "	Orphanage	5 00
" " " "	Minutes	1 30
"	Finance Committee excess	4 00
"	G. W. Ward for Education	1 00
	Total	240 30

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid J. D Boushall for State Missions		$ 22 87
" " " "	Home "	9 15
" " " "	Foreign "	11 25
" " " "	Orphanage	15 19
" " " "	Aged Ministers	9 55

Paid J. D. Boushall for Education	11 3;
" Bro. Johnson for Orphanage (cash collection)	41 45
" " J. D. Boushall for Education from G. W. Ward	1 00
" " N. Biggs for Asso'nl. Mission from Sharon Church	29 25
" " " " " " " Spring Hope	5 00
" " " " " " " Red Bud	7 45
" " J. D. Boushall for Education for Spring Hope	1 00
" " Ivey Allen for Orphanage Red Bud	5 00
" " N. B. Broughton for prtn'g and dis. minutes	40 00
Clerk's fee	25 00
Mailing manuscript, stationery &c	.35
Mailing blank church letters to clerks	.91
	$235.75

Balance due Association..... $4.55

Respectfully submitted,
A. G. WILCOX, Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the account of N. Biggs, Treasurer of the Executive Committee, and A. G. Wilcox, Treasurer of the Tar River Association, and find them correct and true.

E. E. HILLIARD,
Auditor.

Finance Committee's Report was offered as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Oct. 5, 1898.

To the Tar River Association,
assembled at Weldon Baptist Church:

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report of the funds that have been paid into our hands:

State Missions	$15.64
Home Missions	9.00
Foreign Missions	22.15
Education	21.36
Orphanage	43 54
Aged Ministers	7.69
Minute Fund	62.85
	$ 182.23
Associational Missions	1,254.94
For Roanoke Rapids	31.37
Total,	$1,468 54

Respectfully submitted by the Committee:

R. M. JOHNSON,
B F. WILDER,
W. E. HAWKS.

The following by Bro. Setzer passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association be and are hereby tendered the Baptist and other citizens of Weldon for their generous hospitality in entertaining the Association. "Blest be the tie, that binds"

&c was sung, and Bro. Vann offered a fervent prayer after which the Moderator declared the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Warren Plains, on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1899.

N. L. SHAW, Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX, Clerk and Treasurer.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it best to be governed by certain rules and regulations conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall r from his seat and address the Moderator.

3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted, unless he v late some rule of decorum.

4. The person speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject, and nowise reflect on any other brother.

5. No brother shall absent himself from the Association without taining permission from the body.

6. No brother shall speak more than twice on the same subject wi out unanimous consent.

7. No person shall whisper while a brother is speaking.

8. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk, a called as often as the Association requires.

9. The Moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putti it to the vote, but is entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

10. An order of business shall be made at the beginning of ea session, and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the me bers chosen by the churches who shall produce letters certifying th appointment. Members thus chosen and convened, together with t pastors, shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, whi shall have no power over the churches, nor shall it infringe on any their rights.

2. The letters from the churches shall contain the number then fellowship and of those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, exclud and died since the last Association.

3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Mod ator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be chosen by the s frages of the members present.

4. Other churches, upon petition by letter and by delegate, and ter a satisfactory examination of their Articles of Faith, may be adm ted to the body by a unanimous vote, when the Moderator shall give their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

5. Every church in this Association is entitled to one representati but no church is entitled to more than three.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discreti of the Association whether it may be debated or not.

7. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with copies its Minutes.

8. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and all be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adurns.

9. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive ssions, by letter or delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of the urches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

10. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church ich shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

11. Visiting brethren from sister churches, or similar bodies, may invited to participate in our deliberations.

12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State nvention and to the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by e.

13. This Constitution is subject to alteration by a majority vote of delegates enrolled at any session.

14. The business of the Association shall be conducted according to ll's Parliamentary Practice.

PLEDGES—CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphange.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.
Antioch,	$.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Brown's,	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battleboro,	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 27	.....	1 00
Bethel,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethlehem,	1 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35
Bear Swamp,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	40
Cary,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
Conoconara,	4 00	1 00	.....	1 00	68	2 00	.....	.....
Castalia,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Cypress Chapel,	1 00	1 00	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Crocker's Chapel,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Cedar Rock,	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Corinth,	5 00	2 50	2 50	.....	2 50	5 00	.....	1 25
Dawson's,	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Elm City,	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Elm Grove,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Enfield,	11 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Enterprise,	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Ephesus,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80	1 10	1 00
Eagle's,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Fishing Creek,	12 46	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	45
Gardner's,	21 93	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 00
Greenville,	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Gethsemane,	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Halifax,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Hickory,	12 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 20	75
Harriss' Chapel,	13 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	1 67
Hamilton,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hobgood,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 04	.....	.....	75
Henderson,	75 50	27 41	58 00	75 01	46 25	88 51	.....	2 00
John's Chapel,	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70
Louisburg,	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Littleton,	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Marmaduke,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
Mount Zion,	15 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 00	59	1 50
Maple Springs,	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Macon,	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Mount Hebron,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Mildred,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middleburg,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
North Rocky Mount,	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Nashville,	10 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
New Bethel,	10 00	.....	.....	14 40	.....	5 00	.....	1 20
New Hope,	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oak Level,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Poplar Springs,	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	2 00
Philadelphia,	25 00	.....	.....	25	1 50	25	80	1 50
Pleasant Grove,	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Plymouth,	23 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Pine Forest,	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Peach Tree,	5 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	1 52	2 00	1 00
Pactolus,	5 00	2 00	2 00	1 50	.....	1 50	.....	50
Quankie,	2 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roanoke Rapids,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Rocky Mount,	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Rock Springs,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Reedy Creek,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
Red Oak,	20 00	1 14	.....	.....	1 14	.....	.....	1 50
Red Bud,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stony Creek,	11 00	2 00	.....	2 00	5 00	5 00	.....	1 50
Sharon,	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75
Social Plains,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Samaria,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Spring Hope,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 70	.....	75
Sandy Creek,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Sulphur Springs,	3 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	60
Stanhope,	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Scotland Neck,	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Sharpsburg,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

PLEDGES—CHURCHES.—Continued.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.
Tillery,	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....
Tarboro,	8 55	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Turkey Branch,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Weldon,	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Warrenton,	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Wilson,	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Warren Plains,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Washington,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Williamston,	20 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	1 00

SPECIAL PLEDGES—Paid.

J. T. Coley,	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. V. Cheves,	2 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
S. N. Edwards,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. S. Dozier,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
P. H. Smith,	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. A. Pippin,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. C. Griffin,	7 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
R. G. Kendrick, Jr.,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. E. Barkley,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Miss Z. A. Eagles,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. H. Stallings,	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. H. Sledge,	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. W. Sledge,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
A. G. Wilcox,	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total,	1 323 94	43 05	66 80	117 31	77 61	123 45	7 69	64 85

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTDENTS AND POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	School Expenses.	Orphanage.	Sunday-Schools.	Home Missions.	Colportage.	Foreign Missions.
Antioch,	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	10	87		300	3 64					
Bear Swamp,	W. J. Mohorn, Brinkleyville	7	57	50	42						
Battleboro,	S. A. Ward, Battleboro	5	27	75	120	5 00		2 27			
Brown's,	W. B. Stunstall, Cokes	10	55			6 50					
Bethlehem,	J. E. Pepper, Aurelian Springs,	3	15		24	1 50					
Bethel,		5	40		44	10 00					
Cedar Rock,	J. B. Fulgham, Cedar Rock,	14	70	75	75	10 00	1 00				
Corinth,	W. T. Clark, Pughs,	8	140		130	16 24		2 17			
Crocker's Chapel,	Frank Powell, Nashville,	8	66			6 00					
Conoconara,	W. B. Whitaker, Crowells,	4	35			5 00					
Cary,	A. H. Hoyle, Henderson,	6	66	40	48	8 00					
Dawson's,	Lynn Branch, Dawson's,	9	40		60	6 00					
Elm City,	W. D. Carter, Elm City,	5	35			14 00					
Enfield,	F. J. Dennis, Enfield,	4	40		53	14 36	7 10				
Enterprise,	A. T. Barnes, Littleton,	11	74		50	7 00					
Elm Grove,	J. H. Odum, Nashville,	6	65			2 00					
Ephesus,	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope,	4	60	100	60	3 00					
Eagles,	W. F. Eagles, Crisp,	5	30		52	5 00					
Fishing Creek,	R. L. Avent, Ita,	6	27			4 00		1 65			
Greenville,	C. D. Rountree, Greenville,	10	100	550	100	85 75	41 37				
Gardner's,	J. M. Coleman, Churchill,	13	60		75	16 50		3 58			
Gethsemane,	O. L. Pittman, Gethsemane,	6	26			3 25	1 00				
Hickory,	T. E. Powell, Gold Rock,	6	50		40	3 50	3 75			1 50	
Halifax,	B. A. Pooe, Weldon,	6	20		40	2 93					
Hobgood,	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck,	7	44		50	5 16	9 50				
Henderson,	J. R. Singleton, Henderson,	12	75	130	150	40 00	23 11	13 41	67 69	20 00	
Harriss Chapel,	W. H. Mabry, Essex,	8	40		35	2 85				2 62	
John's Chapel,	A. A. Morgan, Glover,	6	60	60		5 25					
Littleton,	H. Browning, Littleton,	8	77	120	99	23 96					
Louisburg,	Thos. B. Wilder, Louisburg,	12	125		200	85 00	25 00	10 00			
Macon,	J. L. Coleman, Macon,	7	34		34	4 97					
Maple Springs,	J. W. Strange, Mapleville,	10	100	100	87	15 00					
Mount Hebron,	S. T. Gupton, Centreville,	8	70		30	5 00				2 50	
Mount Zion,	E. C. Jones, Laurel,	12	125	120		25 00					
Middleburg,	Wilmot Fleming, Middleburg,	4	20		133	5 20		1 50			
North Rocky Mount,	F. C. Furgerson, Rocky Mount,	6	105		125	25 67	20 16				

New Bethel,	W. B. Daniel,	Epson,	6	115		77	17 64							
New Hope,				15										
Nashville,	L. M. Conyers,	Nashville,	4	35		2 40	9 60							
Oak Level,	T. A. Boone,	Nashville,	10	69		42	4 50							
Peach Tree,	J. W. Gordon,	Hunts,	6	50		30	5 00							
Plymouth,	W. J. Jackson,	Plymouth,	8	56			19 64	12 97						
Plymouth No. 2,	George White,	Plymouth,	4	40			6 00							
Plymouth No. 3,	J. W. Bryan,	Plymouth,	2	30			8 00							
Philadelphia,	J. D. Avent,	Dukes,	8	88		92	7 81							
Poplar Springs,	J. W. White,	Sutton,	30	400	75	700	21 50							
Pleasant Grove,	G. T. Baines,	Oakland,	6	66	30	40	8 00							
Pine Forest,	J. A. Whitley,	Everetts,	7	50		48	16 50	2 50						
Quankie,	G. A. Branch,	Weldon,	5	27		24	1 10							
Rock Spring,	J. B. Wilder,	Louisburg,	5	50		50								
Red Oak,	R. O. Critcher,	Red Oak,	4	40	30	30	2 25							
Rocky Mount (Mission School),	C. E. Timmons,	Rocky Mount,	5	50		50	7 00							
Rocky Mount,	Geo. L. Parker,	Rocky Mount,	8	100		134	53 00	40 45		5 00		5 00		
Roanoke Rapids,	R. C. Lassiter,	Roanoke Rapids,	9	85		200	33 39							
Red Bud,	J. H. Harper,	Centreville,	8	93		108	5 00							
Stony Creek,	S. J. F. Ellen,	Rocky Mount,	6	60	4	4	7 00							
Sharon,	L. E. Hicks,	Wise,	9	70	50	60	15 00	1 00						
Samaria,	W. O. Williams,	Stanhope,	3	40			3 00							
Sandy Creek,	P. J. Brewer,	Oswego,	10	104		200	5 00							
Scotland Neck,	C. W. Wilson,	Scotland Neck,	24	250	750	270	100 00	240 00						
Sulphur Springs,	S. W. O'Neal,	Elberon,	7	42		40	2 06							
Spring Hope,	J. T. Fulford,	Spring Hope,	5	45		268	7 00							
Stanhope,	S. R. Pearce,	Finch,	4	30		20	4 00							
Tillery,	P. V. Tillery	Tillery,	4	17		3	22 75							
Tarboro,	C. J. Austin,	Tarboro,	4	21	100	165	4 35							
Turkey Branch,	Charlie Smith,	Enfield,	5	35			4 50							
Williamston,	Dennis Simmons,	Williamston,	7	80		104	13 54	40 70						
Warren Plains,	W. S. Terrell,	Warren Plains,	13	110	324	180	34 59	18 68						
Wilson,	C. E. Blount,	Wilson,	15	150			60 00	15 50						
Washington,	Thos. J. Latham, Jr.,	Washington,	11	60		68	44 66	8 90		82				
Warrenton,	J. R. Rodwell,	Warrenton,	14	124	462	220	67 20							
Weldon,	W. E. Daniel,	Weldon,	6	54	50	125	32 50							
Totals,			553	4903	3295	5844	1139 71	512 69	34 55	76 81	23 32	5 00		

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Antioch	J. W. Sledge....Stallings	J. R. Collier,....Heathsville	....	....	..	1	....	1	14	23	37
*Bear Swamp	R. H. Herring....Halifax	N. Chichester,....Brinkleyville	2	....	..	2	....	2	82	88	173
Battleboro	C. C. Williams....Royal	T. D. Wright,....Battleboro	....	....	..	3	1	..	16	34	50
Brown's	T. J. Taylor....Warrenton	J. N. Tunstall,....Cokes	4	1	..	8	....	..	58	74	132
Bethlehem	A. G. Wilcox....Brinkleyville	Ed. Pepper,....Aurelian Springs	6	....	..	2	4	..	13	17	30
Bethel	.....	W. A. Knox,....Bethel	....	1	..	4	4	1	12	22	34
Cedar Rock	W. C. Nowell....Nashville	J. A. Coppedge,....Cedar Rock	17	....	..	13	1	1	82	93	175
Corinth	Forest Smith....Louisburg	A. A. Demuth,....Ingleside	....	6	7	9	....	1	48	71	119
Castalia	A. A. Pippin....Wakefield	J. D. Wheeless,....Castalia	5	13	..	....	....	..	36	26	62
Crocker's Chapel	G. W. Coppedge....Wakefield	E. H. Crocker,....Nashville	5	....	..	....	....	..	9	14	23
†Cypress Chapel	G. W. May....Wake Forest	W. B. Stallings,....Spring Hope	1	1	2	....	....	..	21	50	74
Conoconara	A. G. Wilcox....Brinkleyville	Jas. A. Pope,....Scotland Neck	7	9	1	....	....	..	....	....	30
Cary	J. A. Stradley....Oxford	T. A. Evans,....Henderson	....	3	..	2	....	1	16	16	32
Dawson's	R. H. Herring....Halifax	W. J. Partin,....Crowells	....	8	..	5	....	5	71	78	149
Elm City	M. L. Kesler....Rocky Mount	J. H. Barkley,....Elm City	....	5	..	....	....	..	34	49	83
Enfield	M. L. Kesler....Rocky Mount	S. S. Alsop,....Enfield	....	2	..	2	....	1	21	30	51
Enterprise	J. T. Edmundson....Littleton	Fletcher Bobbitt,....Littleton	15	5	..	2	....	..	53	61	114
Elm Grove	J. E. Hocutt....Finch	C. H. Baines,....Nashville	....	4	..	2	3	..	41	91	132
Ephesus	G. W. Coppedge....Wakefield	W. M. Warren,....Spring Hope	15	4	2	....	4	..	39	64	103
Eagle's	.....	B. F. Eagles,....Crisp	....	....	..	....	1	..	10	25	35
Fishing Creek	E. C. Bobbitt....Franklinton	M. Bobbitt,....Ita	6	....	..	5	....	1	26	37	63
Greenville	A. W. Setzer....Greenville	L. W. Lawrence,....Greenville	12	5	..	7	1	1	37	76	113
Gardner's	A. Cree....Littleton	J. W. Shearin,....Churchill	....	1	1	1	2	2	57	86	143
Gethsemane	G. L. Merrill....Hobgood	A. Anderson,....Gethsemane	....	1	..	2	....	..	20	29	49
Halifax	R. H. Herring....Halifax	R. H. Herring,....Halifax	....	3	..	2	....	..	5	10	15
Hickory	G. M. Duke....Dukes	B. F. Drake,....Gold Rock	7	7	1	1	1	..	27	44	71
Hobgood	G. L. Merrill....Hobgood	G. C. Weeks,....Scotland Neck	1	3	..	2	....	..	11	33	44
Harriss' Chapel	A. G. Wilcox....Brinkleyville	B. Y. Harriss,....Essex	14	1	..	....	....	..	39	66	105
Hamilton	.....	J. H. Sherrod,....Hamilton	....	....	..	....	....	..	....	....	38
Henderson	J. D. Hufham....Henderson	T. M. Pittman,....Henderson	1	2	..	6	2	2	85	100	185
John's Chapel	J. E. Hocutt....Finch	C. T. Finch,....Glover	10	1	1	....	4	..	28	32	60
Littleton	A. Cree....Littleton	L. W. Bagley,....Littleton	2	1	1	4	1	1	50	53	103
Louisburg	Forest Smith....Louisburg	Thos. B. Wilder,....Louisburg	....	....	..	....	....	..	74	104	178
Macon	A. Cree....Littleton	J. H. Nicholson,....Macon	2	....	..	....	....	..	15	24	39
Marmaduke	J. L. Sledge....Stallings	M. T. Duke,....Marmaduke	....	....	..	....	....	..	15	17	32
Maple Springs	G. M. Duke....Dukes	J. H. Uzzle,....Mapleville,	11	1	..	6	3	..	62	89	151

Middleburg	W. R. Cullom	Wake Forest	W. T. Leonard	Laurel					7				5	47	101	148
Mildred			C. J. Burton	Middleburg								5		58	116	174
North Rocky Mount	J. K. Howell	Rocky Mount	T. L. Knight	Mildred	2	2								19	22	41
New Bethel	G. N. Bray	Epson	O. C. Furgerson	Rocky Mount										21	29	50
New Hope	W. H. Reddish	Wilson	D. H. Dickie	Epson	17	1		5	1	3	18	43	61			
Nashville	W. C. Nowell	Nashville	R. H. White	Wilson	13		3	4	7	1	73	152	225			
Oak Level	W. C. Nowell	Nashville	L. M. Conyers	Nashville							23	22	45			
Pactolus	A. W. Setzer	Greenville	T. A. Boone	Nashville	1			2			9	23	32			
Peach Tree	G. M. Duke	Duke's	J. B. Little	Pactolus		2			1	1	11	21	32			
Plymouth	G. L. Finch	Williamston	J. J. H. Edwards	Hunt's				5		1	7	9	16			
Philadelphia	G. M. Duke	Duke's	Henry G. Jackson	Plymouth	22	4	1	5	7		59	109	168			
Poplar Springs	C. M. Duke	Duke's	C. E. Hedgepeth	Duke's	2	5		3	1		28	46	74			
Pleasant Grove	A. A. Pippin	Wake Forest	John Griffin	Sutton	6	2	1	6	4	1	84	125	209			
Pine Forest	G. L. Merrill	Hobgood	J. W. Cottston	Oakland	95	18	5	2	3	3	153	233	386			
Quankie	A. G. Wilcox	Brinkleyville	D. L. Peach	Everetts	41	1	4	4	5	3	68	94	162			
Rock Spring	G. W. May	Wake Forest	J. J. Cullom	Weldon	13	4		2		1	24	49	73			
Red Oak	J. W. Powell	Rocky Mount	W. D. Harriss	Louisburg	2			2		1	28	48	76			
Rocky Mount	M. L. Kesler	Rocky Mount	R. O. Critcher	Red Oak		3	2	9			40	72	112			
Roanoke Rapids	R. G. Kendrick	Weldon	C. F. Timmons	Rocky Mount	10	5	1	6	15		46	62	108			
Reedy Creek	A. G. Wilcox	Brinkleyville	W. D. Tillery	Roanoke Rapids	17	14		5	1		61	74	135			
Red End	C. C. Williams	Royal	B. P. Davis	Creek	8	24							59			
Stony Creek	W. C. Nowell	Nashville	R. E. Lancaster	Castalia	4			8	1		59	90	149			
Sharon	J. T. Edmundson	Littleton	T. E. Coley	Rocky Mount	4	2	3	5	3		69	122	191			
Samaria	J. F. Hocutt	Finch	P. R. Perkinson	Wise	37	4		1			51	47	98			
Sandy Creek	G. M. Duke	Duke's	D. S. Cone	Spring Hope	10	5		3	1	1	70	85	155			
Scotland Neck	R. T. Vann	Scotland Neck	J. R. Stallings	Stallings	22	1	3	2	3	5	71	112	183			
Sulphur Springs	G. W. May	Wake Forest	E. E. Hilliard	Scotland Neck	4	9		3	7	5	127	151	278			
Spring Hope	J. W. Powell	Rocky Mount	D. T. Revis	Elberon		5		12	1	1	146	187	333			
Stanhope	J. E. Hocutt	Finch	Geo. W. Bunn	Spring Hope		3					20	36	56			
Social Plains			R. S. Pearce	Finch	1	3		4			14	26	40			
Sharpsburg					8	4		4		1	22	29	51			
Tillery													30			
Tarboro	R. H. Herring	Halifax	J. C. Mullen	Tillery									14			
Turkey Branch	N. S. Jones	Tarboro	W. J. Teachey	Tarboro	3			10	2	3	22	22	44			
Williamston	J. W. Sledge	Stallings	W. J. Hardee	Enfield	9	5		6	6				37			
Warren Plains	G. L. Finch	Williamston	J. W. Anderson	Williamston	6			1		3			43			
Wilson	T. J. Taylor	Warrenton			2	7		3	2	1	19	40	59			
Washington	W. H. Reddish	Wilson	W. B. Penick	Wilson	2	2		1		4	53	67	120			
Warrenton	J. N. Booth	Washington	Thos. J. Latham	Washington	16	13	1	5		5	51	116	167			
Weldon	T. J. Taylor	Warrenton	E. S. Allen	Warrenton	6	16	1	2		1	32	46	78			
	R. G. Kendrick	Weldon	W. E. Daniel	Weldon	1	2		5		3	73	93	166			
Totals					6	7		4	2	1	35	50	85			
					522	259	41	229	107	68	2343	4405	7711			

*3 colored.
†3 colored.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Colportage.	Sunday-Schools.	Ministers' Relief Fund.	Minute Fund.	Roanoke Rapids Church Debt.	Warren Union.	Total.
Antioch	40 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	60 50
Bear Swamp	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	.....	1 04	..	.....	9 00	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	30 44
Battleboro	.....	6 co	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 co	.....	.....	32 00
Brown's	150 00	2 31	52 00	.....	8 00	25 co	4 65	1 37	7 59	.....	14 00	.....	.....	2 84	.....	.....	.....	267 76
Bethlehem	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	44	.....	1 98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	33 97
Bethel	28 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00
Cedar Rock	100 00	10 00	.....	.....	15 00	15 00	.....	1 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	142 61
Corinth	120 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	2 50	2 50	18 75	2 50	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....	.....	157 50
Castalia	50 co	300 00	.....	.....	.....	5 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 co	.....	.....	356 00
Crocker's Chapel	20 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	25 50
Cypress Chapel	75 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 co	1 co	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 co	.....	.....	78 80
Conoconara	60 co	.....	30 co	.....	10 co	4 co	2 04	.....	1 co	68	2 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109 72
Cary	60 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 co	.....	3 70	3 co	.....	2 18	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	73 88
Dawson's	125 co	.....	.....	15 50	....	25 co	9 85	3 19	5 45	.....	5 co	.....	.....	.....	1 co	.....	.....	174 49
Elm City	150 co	5 co	.....	.....	78 co	15 co	.....	3 14	1 36	.....	5 co	.....	.....	.....	1 co	.....	.....	250 50
Enfield	100 co	6 86	... .	256 co	.....	10 co	.....	27 38	3 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	397 84
Enterprise	84 00	16 co	.....	35 co	.....	15 co	.....	.....	1 81	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	152 86
Elm Grove	50 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 co	.....	.....	56 co
Ephesus	60 co	.....	3 co	.....	.....	10 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80	.....	.....	1 10	1 co	.....	.....	76 90
Eagle's	100 co	3 07	.....	.....	14 50	15 co	.....	.....	5 co	3 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	141 07
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Greenville	600 co	100 co	10 co	22 co	382 75	25 co	23 44	15 co	20 85	10 co	92 co	.....	.....	7 45	1 co	.....	.....	1285 64
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Marmaduke	50 00	4 50	.....	.....	.....	5 co	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 co	.....	75	.....	.....	63 25
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North Rocky Mount,	75 00	29 25	10 00	137 90	26 50				2 00									
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New Hope,	40 00					2 00	2 55								1 20			348 24
Nashville,	100 00	12 00		6 50		11 00						3 00	8 50		75			44 55
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Pine Forest,	50 00	7 00			7 06	8 00	1 00		1 29	62					50			138 02
Quankie,	75 00					2 75			2 55									65 47
Rock Spring,	100 00		3 78			10 00			2 25				5 00					80 30
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Red Bud,	75 00		4 40	5 00		7 75									1 50			138 84
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Samaria,	60 00		4 00			10 00					2 00				1 50			240 75
Sandy Creek,	100 00					5 00									1 50			77 50
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Tillery,	100 00	30 50				20 00	7 77	5 00	6 30		3 00							172 57
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Turkey Branch,	40 00	10 00							3 55						50			54 05
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PROCEEDINGS.

WARREN PLAINS, N. C., October 3rd, 1899.

THE TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION met with the church here to-day in its sixty-ninth annual session. The devotional exercises were led by Bro. J. E. Hocutt, who read the 103rd Psalm, and prayer by Bro. G. M. Duke.

Brethren Walter Allen, J. W. Strickland, H. G. Shearman and C. J. Burton were appointed Finance Committee.

Roll call showed the following representatives from the churches by delegates and letters:

Antioch—
Bear Swamp—Jim Crawley, Vernon Bowers.
Battleboro—J. M. Neal
Brown's—Walter Allen, J .W. Smithwick, R. G. Clark.
Bethlehem—Ed. Pepper.
Bethel—W. A. Ayers.
Cedar Rock—Jesse Fulghum, R. B. Gilliam, W. T. Dean.
Corinth—Louis Jones, Hugh Sherman, Willie Clark.
Castalia—W. G. Strickland, S. E. Lancaster, C. B. Coggin.
Crocker's Chapel—E. H. Crocker, J. H. Overby.
Cypress Chapel—E. W. Moore.
Conoconara—Letter.
Cary Chapel—W. W. Currin, A. H. Hoyle, Chas. Stokes.
Dawson's—James Simmons, W. J. Partin.
Elm City—W. A. Ayers.
Enfield—R. H. Herring.
Enterprise—Fletcher Bobbitt, S. T. Wilson.
Elm Grove—G. W. Coppedge.
Ephesus—L. M. Edwards, Geo. W. Coppedge.
Eagles—By letter.
Fishing Creek—M. Bobbitt.
Greenville—
Gardner's—W. A. Pegram, J. W. Shearin, W. P. Rodwell.
Gethsemane—By letter.
Halifax—R. H. Herring.
Hickory—W. S. Dozier, G. W. Powell.
Hobgood—G. L. Merrell.
Harriss Chapel—S. W. Hamlet, J. H. Shearin, A. G. Wilcox.
Hamilton—W. A. Ayers.
Henderson—Thos. Elmore, T. R. Steward, W. B. Hundley.
John's Chapel—By letter.
Littleton—T. R. Walker.

Louisburg—Josiah Crudup, Forest Smith, T. B. Wilder.
Macon—J. H. Nicholson, J. L. Coleman, Harman White.
Marmaduke—M. T. Duke, S. J. Clark, J. R. King.
Mapel Spring—J. H. Muzzell, J. R. Perry, J. H. Sledge.
Mt. Hebron—
Mt. Zion—
Middleburg—C. J. Burton, W. H. Kimball.
Mildred—T. J. Crisp.
North Rocky Mount—J. W. Powell.
New Bethel—P. J. Stainback, W. B. Daniel, G. F. Dicken.
New Hope—By letter.
Nashville—By letter.
Oak Level—By letter.
Pactolus—W. A. Ayers.
Peach Tree—G. Rice, A. F. Vick.
Plymouth—
Philadelphia—A. C. Griffin, J. J. Griffin, G. V. Frazier.
Popular Spring—S. J. Alford, C. T. Chears, Jno. Strickland.
Pleasant Grove—G. T. Barnes.
Pine Forest—By letter.
Quankie—By letter.
Rock Spring—D. V. Chears, J. B. Strickland, B. F. Wilder.
Red Oak—J. C. Beal, S. S. Frazier, S. J. Griffin.
Rocky Mount—E. W. Shearin, T. M. Arrington, J. R. Moore.
Roanoke Rapids—W. N. Johnson.
Reedy Creek—E. H. Davis, S. W Neal, B. R. Harris.
Red Bud—D. B. Pearce, J. H. Griffin.
Stony Creek—C. F. Ellen, J. J. Coley.
Sharon—G. W. Hawks, L. E. Hicks, P. R. Perkinson.
Samaria—H. C. Dillard.
Sandy Creek—H. S. Gupton, G. B. West, Albert Joyner.
Scotland Neck—L. W. Bagley, N. Biggs, R. T. Vann.
Sulphur Springs—J. A. Shepard, T. C. Rives, T. H. Aycock.
Spring Hope—J. E. Hocutt.
Stanhope—By letter.
Social Plains—
Tillery—By letter.
Tarboro—By letter.
Turkey Branch—Lonnie Hull.
Williamston—J. W. Andrews.
Warren Plains—Macon Copps, James Frazier, N. L. Shaw.
Wilson—W. H. Reddish.
Washington—By letter.
Warrenton—J. R. Rodwell, Sam Harper, W. A. White.
Weldon—W. N. Johnson.

Roll call being completed the Association went into permanent organization by the election of N. L. Shaw, Moderator; S. J. Alford, Vice-Moderator; A. G. Wilcox, Clerk and Treasurer; J. D. Hufham, Historian.

Brethren Rodwell, Dillard and Burton were appointed a committee on order of business; which committee submitted a partial report. The

pastor and deacons of the church were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Invitation to visiting brethren, accepted by J. A. Stradley, J. B. Solomon, John Mitchell, C. C. Williams, F. P. Hobgood, J. N. Harrell and J. R. Pace.

The pastor of the church welcomed the Association in an address of great tenderness and beauty.

By request of the Moderator, J. B. Solomon, of Chicago, but thirty years ago a member of this body, responded to the address of welcome.

W. H. Reddish read the report on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

To The Tar River Association :—

As reported by the Superintendent of Public Instruction in 1898, there are 415,262 white school children in North Carolina. A great portion of this large number of children are from Baptist communities and from Baptist homes.

These children are soon to be the men and women upon whom the great responsibility shall devolve of shaping the financial, political, social, moral and spiritual destiny of the State.

The race problem, which has perplexed the mind of the skilled politician ever since the abolition of slavery in 1865, and has confounded the social reformer for the last few generations, shall have to be solved by the men and the women who are the school children of to-day. We believe that the education of to-day shall solve the problems of to-morrow.

We rejoice to see those larger and more exalted conceptions of education which have been steadily advancing for many years in North Carolina, tending more towards a crystalization than ever before. It is no longer a prevalent conception that we must educate because the educated can get easier places, and more money for their labor, but because it better prepares men in body, in mind, and in soul, to serve humanity, and to bring rich gifts unto our God.

The tide of infidelity and skepticism which has swept over from Germany and has laid hold upon some of our own colleges and universities, must be met by a counteracting influence which can only arise from Christian education. We are glad to see that our Baptist brotherhood in North Carolina is becoming more and more to fear any system of education that is not Christian.

Furthermore let us encourage the study of the Bible in our denominational schools. The idea that there is no special need of any one knowing the Scriptures save the ministers has passed away, and we live in an age in which a knowledge of the Bible is regarded more of a necessity for a completed education.

Let us patronize our own institutions as far as it is possible. The Chowan Baptist Female Institute and the Oxford Female Seminary have done work which is a credit to themselves, a blessing to the denomination and an honor to God.

Wake Forest College is held in higher regard and better patronized to-day than ever before. What it has done for the denomination and for the thousands of young men who have gone out from its walls is sufficient of itself to commend it to our people.

The Baptist Female University is no longer a dream or an uncertainty, but it is here, a child of our own sacrifices and of our prayers. It has thrown its doors open to the daughters of North Carolina, offering them greater advantages for the amount of money than any institution in the South.

As no community, country or people have ever prospered without an educated ministry, and as it is our duty as a denomination, and as followers of Christ, let us give our young men, called of God to preach His blessed gospel, the very best advantages at Wake Forest College and at our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. REDDISH.

Pending a motion, addresses on Ministerial Education were delivered by J. B. Solomon, Geo. M. Duke and John Mitchell.

The roll of churches was called and pledges for the support of the Board of Education were recorded as follows:

Bear Swamp,	$ 1.50	New Bethel,	$5.00
Brown's,	5.00	Peach Tree,	2.50
Battleboro,	2.50	Philadelphia,	5.00
Bethel.	5.00	Popular Spring,	5.00
Cedar Rock,	5.00	Pleasant Groye,	2.50
Corinth,	5.00	Quankie,	2.00
Castalia,	2.00	Red Oak,	2.50
Carey Chapel,	1.00	Rocky Mount,	10.00
Conoconara,	2.00	Roanoke Rapids,	3.00
Dawsons,	2.50	Reedy Creek,	2.00
Enfield,	2.00	Red Bud,	2.00
Enterpise,	5.00	Stony Creek,	5.00
Ephesus,	2.50	Sharon,	5.00
Fishing Creek,	2.00	Samaria,	1.00
Gardner's,	5.00	Sandy Creek,	1.00
Gethsemane,	1.00	Scotland Neck,	50.00
Hickory,	5.00	Spring Hope,	2.50
Hobgood,	2.00	Stanhope,	1.00
Harris' Chapel,	2.00	Tillery,	2.50
Henderson,	25.00	Tarboro, (per Vann)	5.00
Littleton,	10.00	Turkey Branch,	1.00
Louisburg,	20.00	Williamston,	2.00
Macon,	2.00	Warren Plains,	3.00
Marmaduke,	1.00	Wilson,	10.00
Maple Spring,	5.00	Warrenton,	25.00
Mount Zion,	2.50	Weldon	15.00
Middleburg,	5.00	Total	$298.50

Pending the motion to adopt the report F. P. Hobgood delivered an address on the Female Seminary at Oxford of which he is President. The report was then adopted.

Thos. Walker, S. W. Hamlet and J. C. Beale were appointed a committee on time and place and preacher for next session.

On motion adjourned to 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

At 8 p. m. M. L. Kesler preached the introductory sermon from Josh. 1:1-10.

WEDNESDAY 9:30 o'clock A. M.

Association met and spent half an hour in devotional exercises led by Bro. W. N. Johnson. Minutes read, corrected, and approved.

New churches making application for admission into our body called for and Cedar Branch and Conoho responded.

Brethren Vann, Ayers, C. F. Ellen, and L. W. Bagley were appointed a committee to examine articles of faith, church covenant etc., who reported favorably and the churches were received. Moderator gave right hand of fellowship to delegates A. F. Stallings, and W. A. Casper.

Brethren M. L. Kesler, T. M. Arrington and Forest Smith were appointed a committee on digest of church letters.

Visiting brethren again invited to seats and accepted by brethren J. W. Bailey, J. B. Boone and A. J. Hires.

Report on Periodicals was called for and read by Bro W. R. Cullom.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The wise man has said that "as one thinketh in his heart, so is he." Whatever, therefore, contributes most toward the moulding and shaping of our permanent thoughts and feelings should be looked upon as the most important factor in our lives. By all odds, the mental and spiritual atmosphere in which we live, and move, and have our being, has more to do with how we think and what we think than any other influence that is brought to bear on us; and among the forces that go to create this atmosphere, WHAT WE READ can be reckoned second to none.

Your committee would therefore call attention to the many insidious and seductive efforts to use this mighty channel of influence to poison the minds of our people with that which is intended to undermine the foundations of our Christian faith, and to land us in chaos and confusion as to some of the eternal verities of the Old Book. In view of this we would urge a positive, intelligent and discriminating oversight as to what is allowed to come into our houses as reading matter. The book or paper that costs the least money is not always the cheapest.

It gives your committee great pleasure to call attention to our excellent system of periodicals, watched over and guarded jealously by some of our wisest and best brethren, and sent forth with special reference to the actual conditions and needs of our people. Among these periodicals, as a body of North Carolina Baptists, we recognize and commend most heartily THE BIBLICAL RECORDER as pre-eminent. The Recorder in every home within the bounds of this Association would mean more to every object that this body stands for than any other human instrumentality that we can imagine.

CHARITY AND CHILDREN possesses a place all its own in our denominational life and work, and should be a welcome visitor into all our homes. We would commend also the plan of Sunday-schools taking a sufficient number to supply all their members who do not receive it regularly.

THE FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL and OUR HOME FIELD give such information and stimulus as no intelligent Baptist can afford to miss.

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST is in thorough sympathy with all of our work, and will bring a wholesome and uplifting influence into any home that may give it a place.

The publications of our Sunday-School Board at Nashville have constantly grown better in their quality and make-up, and are adapted to the needs of our own Sunday-schools as no other publications can be.

THE MISSIONARY REVIEW OF THE WORLD is thoroughly evangelical and up-to-date in giving just what its name would suggest. We believe that a constant perusal of its pages by our pastors would give a tone and flavor to their sermons, which would soon bring forth fruit in the enlarged view and deeper consecration in the membership of our churches.

THE BAPTIST HISTORICAL PAPERS should receive our patronage and encouragement both because of what they will do for us now, and because of the indispensable contribution they will make to our work in the future.

W. R. CULLOM.

After addresses by Brethren Cullom and Bailey the report was adopted.

Hour for special order having arrived report on Associational missions was read by Brother Hufham.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the year just closed the Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad. Our Associational Missions came of age this year and they are glorious in the effulgence of their young manhood. The favor of the Lord has rested on them, and they are now in the fulness of strength and promise. It would be pleasant and inspiring to make a full chronicle of this, the twenty-first year of our work, but time and space forbid. It is allowed only to notice a few of the more salient features of the heavenly landscape.

G. L. Finch has been succeeded at Williamston by B. K. Mason, who has baptized twenty-one persons since he took charge of the church. The whole place and the region around have felt the influence of this revival.

W. A. Ayers occupies the field of Hamilton, where he has baptized fifteen, and Pactolus where he has baptized one. At Bethel, where the house of worship was destroyed by a tornado, a new house has been built and Bro. Ayers has baptized eighteen.

At Tarboro E. Craig succeeds N. S. Jones. His labors have been prospered in a remarkable degree. Some fifty persons have been baptized during the year; a thing which has not been known before in Edgecombe county for many a day.

At Roanoke Rapids W. N. Johnson succeeds R. G. Kendrick. He has baptized four persons.

G. L. Merrill remains on the field around Hobgood. At Gethsemane he has baptized two persons. At Conoho he held a meeting and at the close organized a church of twenty members. They are now building a house of worship.

At Bethlehem, Halifax county, A. G. Wilcox has baptized eleven and six more are approved for baptism.

At Rocky Mount M. L. Kesler has baptized eight, and five have been baptized at North Rocky Mount.

At every other station the signs are full of promise, but it is not needful to cumber the report with details.

To sum up: Twenty persons have been baptized in Williamston; fifteen in Hamilton; fifty in Tarboro; two at Gethsemane, Edgecombe county; eleven at Bethlehem and four at Roanoke Rapids, Halifax county; one has been baptized at Pactolus, Pitt county; at Bethel, where the house of worship has been destroyed by a tornado, a new house has been built and eighteen have been baptized; at Rocky Mount thirteen have been baptized; at Conoho nine have been baptized and a church of twenty-two members has been organized with framing lumber on the ground for a house of worship.

Surely the Lord has been with us at every point of our labor!

Your committee beg that we signalize our gratitude and faith by enlarging our work, and to this end we ask that the subscriptions may be on the scale of $2,500 for the year. COMMITTEE.

After thrilling addresses by brethren Hufham and Duke roll of churches was called and pledges taken as follows:

A Friend,	$500 00	Cedar Branch,	$10 00
Scotland Neck,	200 00	A Brother,	10 00
Henderson,	160 00	G. M. Duke,	10 00
Louisburg,	110 00	L. W. Bagley,	10 00
Rocky Mount,	60 00	John Carr,	10 00
Warrenton,	60 00	A. G. Wilcox,	10 00
Stony Creek, paid	50 00	R. T. Vann,	10 00
A Friend,	50 00	Henderson, W. M. S.	10 00
A Friend,	50 00	Warren Plains, W. M. S.	10 00
Greenville, (B. & V.)	50 00	North Rocky Mount,	10 00
Weldon,	40 00	Cary's Chapel,	8 00
Poplar Springs,	35 00	Stanhope,	6 00
Brown's,	30 00	Bethlehem,	5 00
Maple Springs,	35 00	Crocker's Chapel,	5 00
Corinth,	25 00	Cyprus Chapel,	5 00
Dawsons,	25 00	Elm Grove,	5 00
Gardners,	25 00	Fishing Creek,	5 00
Philadelphia,	30 00	Halifax,	5 00
Wilson,	30 00	Marmaduke,	5 00
Littleton,	25 00	Sulphur Springs,	5 00
Red Oak,	25 00	Turkey Branch,	5 00
Tarboro,	25 00	C. C. Williams,	5 00
Williamston,	25 00	C. E. Gupton,	5 00
Reedy Creek,	20 00	J. W. Anderson,	5 00
Hickory,	20 00	H. C. Dillard,	5 00
Mount Zion,	20 00	A. C. Griffin,	5 00
New Bethel,	20 00	W. N. Johnson,	5 00
Pleasant Grove,	20 00	R. H. Herring,	5 00
Tillery,	20 00	Ladies' Middleburg ch.	5 00
Bear Swamp,	15 00	Louisburg W. M. S.	5 00
Bethel,	15 00	Gardners W. M. S.	3 00
Cedar Bock,	15 00	Johns Chapel,	2 50

Conoconara,	$15 00	New Hope,		$2 50
Elm City,	15 00	L. C. Perkinson,		2 50
Enfield,	15 00	Concho,		2 00
Ephesus,	15 00	Littleton,	W. M. S.	2 00
Gethsemane,	15 00	A Friend,		2 00
Harris Chapel,	15 00	Ladies, Macon church,		2 00
Hamilton,	15 00	A Friend,	paid	2 00
Macon, paid $2.50	15 00	W. B. Daniel,		2 00
Middleburg,	15 00	Miss Pattie Bowers,	paid	2 00
Nashville,	15 00	Henderson Sunbeams,	paid	1 00
Peach Tree,	15 00	A Friend,	paid	1 00
Spring Hope,	15 00	A Friend,	paid	1 00
Warren Plains,	15 00	A Friend,	paid	1 00
W. E. Bowers,	15 00	A Friend,		1 00
Roanoke Rapids,	12 00	W. A. Casper,	paid	50
Battleboro,	10 00	A Friend,	paid	1 00
Castalia,	10 00	R. B. Gilliam,		1 00
Enterprise,	10 00	A Friend,	paid	1 00
Eagles,	10 00	L. W. Bagley,	paid	1 00
Hobgood,	10 00	A Friend,	paid	50
Mildred,	10 00	W. B. Hundley,	paid	50
Pactolus,	10 00	A Friend,	paid	50
Pine Forest,	10 00	Excess		2 50
Quankie,	10 00			
Rock Spring,	10 00	Total		$2 424 50
Red Bud,	10 00	To balance assumed by		
Samaria,	10 00	T. M. Arrington,		75 50
Sandy Creek,	10 00			$2,500. 00

Report adopted.

Executive Committee were elected for next year as follows: N. Biggs, J. W. Anderson, T. J. Taylor, L. W. Bagley, T. M. Arrington, E. W. Shearin.

Report on Orphanage was read by Forest Smith for T. B. Wilder.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

Brother Moderator: The Orphanage does not need that I should make a lengthy report about it but only that it should be called to the attention of the Association.

The spontaneity, the liberality, the promptness and the well nigh unanimous response of the churches throughout the State on the occasion of the disaster at the Orphanage last summer shows what a hold this department of our work has on the brethren. Such a response, too, makes one doubt whether the cause that brought it forth were indeed such a calamity and makes one suspect that it was sent as a means of letting the authorities of the Orphanage know how keenly alive were the churches to the needs of their helpless ones and how ready they are to supply these needs.

The one point that I would emphasize is that the churches and the Sunday-schools need to be more systematic in their giving and letting their offerings be sent at stated times rather than in the spasmodic manner is that somtimes followed.

Many churches make one only contribution a year and forget apparently that this offering is in answer to a voiceless and wordless prayer—"Give us this day our daily bread."

If we will bear in mind the important fact that all the needs of the Orphanage are daily needs and not merely monthly or yearly needs and make our contributions to fit these constantly recurring wants we will be using our means in the best way possible.

Respectfully submitted,
THOS. B. WILDER.

An address was delivered by the General Manager, J. B. Boone, after which the roll of churches was called and the following made pledges in money or in kind:

Brown's, Bethel, Corinth, Castaila, Cypress Chapel, Cary's Chapel, Dawsons, Elm City, Enfield, Ephesus, Fishing Creek, Greenville, Gardners, Gethsemane, Halifax, Hickory, Hobgood, Harris Chapel, Hamilton, Henderson, Littleton, Louisburg, Macon, Maple Springs, Mount Hebron, Mount Zion, Middleburg, Mildred, North Rocky Mount, New Bethel, Peach Tree, Philadelphia, Popular Springs, Pleasant Grove, Quankie, Rocky Mount, Red Oak, Roanoke Rapids, Red Bud, Stony Creek, Sharon, Samaria, Sandy Creek, Scotland Neck, Sulphur Springs, Spring Hope, Stanhope, Tillery, Tarboro, Turkey Branch, Williamston, Warren Plains, Wilson, Washington, Warrenton, Weldon. A small cash collection $11.89 was taken after which report was adopted

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for next year report Srping Hope as the place. Time Tuesday after the Second Sunday in October 1900. W. H. Reddish to preach the introductory sermon, Walter N. Johnson, alternate.

Foreign missions next claimed the attention of the body and report was read by R. T. Vann.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission Board, located in Richmond, is a committee appointed by the Southern Baptist Convention to overlook the mission work done by Southern Baptists in foreign fields. The Board was not only created by the Convention, but derives all its power from that body, and is responsible to it for its actions, rendering annually an account of its stewardship. Of this Southern Baptist Convention we form a part; so that the Foreign Board is our board. We furnish part of the means to carry on its work, and have a hand in directing its operations. The Board now has under employment eighty-six missionaries, ten more than it had last year. Of this number, ten are from North Carolina.

The blessing of God is manifestly upon the work these heralds of the cross are performing. They are seriously handicapped by the dense ignorance and conceit of the people and their fear of dead ancestors if they adopt a new faith; by the difficulties of a heathen language, and by the deep-seated power of religious institutions and sentiments three thousand years old; yet, in spite of these drawbacks, they baptize annually about ten converts for each missionary, while our North Carolina preachers average only about eleven apiece.

The duty of evangelizing the world which the ascending Lord laid upon the first disciples, rests with a great weight upon us. The example

is still before us of those who, being "scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the word." And yet, the amount given for foreign missions by the churches of this Association during the last year, was only about $483.00. Our own destitution can furnish us no excuse for constant disregard of our Saviour's last command. Had the apostles and early Christians followed the principle of neglecting other communities till their own were evangelized, our country would doubtless now be in the blackness of spiritual darkness.

This report recommends that our country pastors be requested to take one collection a year for foreign missions, and that the town pastors take two, and that we try to raise $1,000 for this object during the year.

R. T. VANN.

After addersses by brethren Vann, Hufham and Smith a recommendation was added to the report that the Association endeavor te raise one-thousand dollars for the coming year. After which the report was adopted.

Committee to nominate delegates to Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention report as follows: To Southern Baptist Convention Forest Smith, alternate, M. L. Kesler.

Delegates to Baptist State Convention:—W. E. Bowers, T. B. Wilder, Cicero Ellen, Thos. M. Arrington, J. K. Howell, R. T. Vann, W. D. Tillery, B. F. Wilder, R. M. Johnson, R. T. Daniel, T. J. Taylor, W. H. Reddish, N. Biggs, J. T. Edmondson, G. M. Duke, J. D. Hufham, E. E. Hilliard, Dennis Simmons, J. A. Coppedge, J. N. Booth, B. A. Pope, W. A. Dunn, W. H. Randolph, Josiah Crudup, J. E. Hocutt, S. S. Alsop, M. L. Kesler, W. A. Ayers, Forest Smith, A. Cree, W. T. Clark, E. W. Shearin, J. W. Powell, R. H. Herring, A. G. Wilcox, W. N. Johnson, J. C. Beal, A. C. Griffin, T. M. Pittman, C. M. Cooke, L. M. Conyers, J. J. Coley, G. W. Coppedge, H. C. Dillard.

Treasurer of Executive Committee offered his report, and also the Treasurer of Association which was referred to Bro. W. A. White to audit, who afterwards reported as follows.: I have examined the account of N. Biggs, Treasurer of Executive Committee, and A. G. Wilcox, Treasurer of Association, and find same to be correct.

Wm. A. WHITE,
Auditor.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

TAR RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,
To NOAH BIGGS, TREASURER.

1898.			
Oct. 1.	To bal. due		$ 43.73
Nov. 1.	" Cash O. C. Horton's expenses to Edgecombe		7.20
Dec. 27.	" " paid R. G. Kendrick, services at Roanoke Rapids		16.66
1899.			
Oct. 1.	To Cash paid J. W. Powell, services in Edgecombe and Nash		100.00
"	" " Rev. A. Cree, services in Macon		50.00
"	" " " J. W. Coppedge, services in Nash		25.00
"	" " " M. L. Kesler, services at Rocky Mount		100.00
"	" " " W. N. Johnson, services at Roanoke Rapids,		83.33
"	" " " A. G. Willcox,		40.00
"	" " " W. P. Hines, Martin and Edgecombe,		94.00
"	" " " B. K. Mason, Martin county,		75.00
"	" " " J. N. Booth, Washington and Beaufort,		200.00
"	" " " G. L. Merrill, Edgecombe, Martin, Halifax,		150.00

Oct. 1.	To Cash paid Rev. R. H. Herring, Mullen's and Spring Hill,.....	$50.00	
	" " " " W. A. Ayers, Martin and Pitt counties.....	50.00	
	" " " " B. Craig, Pitt county and Tarboro.....	225.00	
	" " " " J. S. Farmer, Edgecombe county,.....	50.00	$1,359.92

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1898.			
Oct. 1.	By amount from Association.....	$1,254.94	
	" Henderson church,.....	77.67	
	" Red Bud church,.....	7.75	
		$1,359.92	
1899.			
Oct. 1.	By amount to Balance,.....	19.56	
			$1,359.92
1899.			
Oct. 1.	To amount to Balance this day,.....	$ 19.56	

TAR RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,
In Acc't with A. G. WILLCOX, Treas.

RECEIPTS.

Oct., 1898.		
Received Finance Committee for State Missions,.....		$ 15.64
" " " " Home Missions,.....		9.00
" " " " Foreign Missions,.....		22.15
" " " " Education,.....		21.36
" " " " Orphanage,.....		43.54
" " " " Aged Ministers,.....		7.69
" " " " Minutes,.....		62.85
" Cash Collection for State Missions,.....		11.39
" " " " Education.....		7.00
" " " " Orphanage,.....		14.57
" Red Bud for Associational Missions,.....		7.75
" " " " Minutes,.....		2.10
" To bal. due Association at last session,.....		4.45
Total,.....		$228.89

DISBURSEMENTS.

By amount paid J. D. Boushall for State Missions,.....	$ 15.64	
Home Missions,.....	9.00	
Foreign Missions,.....	22.15	
Aged Ministers,.....	7.69	
State Missions (Cash Collection),.....	11.39	
By amount paid Ivey Allen for Orphanage,.....	43.54	
Cash Collection,.....	14.57	
John Mitchell for Edcucation,.....	21.36	
Cash Collection,.....	7.00	
N. Biggs for Associational Missions, Red Bud Church,.....	7.75	
E. E. Hilliard for printing and distributing Minutes,.....	40.00	
Clerk Fee,.....	25.00	
Mailing manuscript and stationery,.....	.45	
Mailing blank Church Letters,.....	.96	
Total,.....	$226.50	
To Bal. due Association,.....	2.39	$228.89

Adjourned until tomorrow 9 :30 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 9 :30 o'clock, A. M.

Association convened and led by Bro. W. A. Ayres. Spent half hour in prayer and praise service. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. A motion made and carried that pledges made to Brother T. J. Taylor at Stony Creek for the Roanoke Rapids church debt be turned over to Brother W. N. Johnson, the pastor of church at that place, and the brethren are most earnestly requested to pay them.

Bro. M. L. Kesler, chairman of Committee on Digest of letters offered his report as follows which was adopted ;

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Comparing the work of 1898 with that of 1899.

CHURCHES.	Members. 1898	Members. 1899	Increase.	Decrease.	Receipts. 1898	Receipts. 1899	Increase.	Decrease.
Antioch	37	.....	.....	.....	60 50	.....	.....	.....
Bear Swamp	173	172	.....	1	30 44	139 93	109 59	.....
Battleboro	50	53	3	.....	32 00	72 33	40 33	.....
Brown's	132	129	.....	.....	267 76	200 38	.....	67 38
Bethlehem	30	42	12	.....	33 97	88 60	54 63	.....
Bethel	34	54	20	.....	45 00	1012 27	967 27	.....
Cedar Rock	175	172	.....	3	142 00	140 65	.....	1 35
Castalia	62	90	28	.....	356 00	170 55	.....	185 45
Corinth	119	136	17	.....	157 50	173 25	15 75	.....
Crocker's Chapel	23	48	25	.....	25 50	37 34	11 84	.....
Cypress Chapel	74	64	.....	10	78 80	95 00	16 20	.....
Conoconara	30	43	13	.....	109 72	191 89	.....	.....
Cary's Chapel	32	38	6	.....	73 88	48 21	.....	25 67
Dawson	149	143	.....	6	174 49	184 77	10 28	.....
Elm City	83	77	.....	6	250 50	170 50	.....	80 00
Enfield	51	53	2	.....	397 84	247 47	.....	150 37
Enterprise	114	123	9	.....	152 86	111 00	.....	41 86
Elm Grove	132	125	.....	7	56 00	56 32	32	.....
Ephesus	103	109	6	.....	76 90	103 39	26 49	.....
Eagle's	35	34	.....	1	141 07	158 96	.....	.....
Fishing Creek	63	57	.....	6	65 07	65 75	68	.....
Greenville	113	.....	.....	.....	1285 64	.....	.....	.....
Gardner's	143	145	2	.....	235 30	219 75	.....	15 55
Gethsemane	49	.....	.....	.....	61 88	.....	.....	.....
Halifax	15	16	1	.....	45 58	40 90	.....	4 68
Hickory	71	139	68	.....	124 39	136 00	21 61	.....
Hobgood	44	40	.....	4	95 23	137 06	41 83	.....
Harris' Chapel	105	99	.....	6	125 98	110 20	.....	15 78
Hamilton	38	40	2	.....	.....	96 59	.....	.....
Henderson	185	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John's Chapel	60	56	.....	4	35 40	44 75	9 35	.....
Littleton	103	90	.....	13	452 30	441 00	.....	11 30
Louisburg	178	176	.....	2	1450 77	1670 00	219 23	.....
Macon	39	40	1	.....	212 38	126 21	.....	86 27
Marmaduke	32	40	8	.....	63 25	57 50	.....	5 75
Maple Springs	151	161	10	.....	288 50	205 75	.....	32 75
Mt. Hebron	148	152	4	.....	60 50	51 00	.....	* 9 50
Mt. Zion	174	166	.....	8	124 60	401 00	276 40	.....
Middleburg	41	41	.....	.....	159 18	186 75	27 57	.....
Mildred	50	46	.....	4	.....	122 75	.....	.....
North Rocky Mount	61	55	.....	6	276 75	132 50	.....	144 25
New Bethel	225	225	.....	.....	348 24	364 99	16 75	.....
New Hope	45	45	.....	.....	44 55	42 50	.....	2 05
Nashville	32	51	19	.....	141 07	121 65	.....	19 42
Oak Level	32	50	18	.....	48 50	48 75	25	.....
Pactolus	16	19	3	.....	64 50	79 10	14 60	.....
Peach Tree	168	202	34	.....	115 02	156 47	41 25	.....
Plymouth	74	.....	.....	.....	473 45	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia	209	209	.....	.....	135 17	103 10	.....	32 07
Poplar Springs	386	360	.....	26	237 00	238 40	1 40	.....
Pleasant Grove	162	176	14	.....	138 02	119 78	.....	18 24
Pine Forest	73	66	.....	7	65 47	77 00	11 53	.....
Quankie	76	76	.....	.....	80 30	68 00	.....	14 30
Rock Springs	112	124	12	.....	121 03	123 25	2 22	.....
Red Oak	108	101	.....	7	.....	180 10	.....	.....
Rocky Mount	135	146	11	.....	1447 30	1220 67	.....	226 63
Roanoke Rapids	59	47	.....	12	318 23	226 22	.....	92 01
Reedy Creek	149	152	3	.....	138 84	97 83	.....	41 01
Red Bud	191	171	.....	.....	93 76	95 00	1 35	.....
Stony Creek	98	100	2	.....	203 57	282 00	78 43	.....
Sharon	155	158	3	.....	240 75	223 00	.....	17 75
Samaria	185	195	10	.....	77 50	113 00	35 50	.....
Sandy Creek	278	261	.....	17	106 50	10 21	.....	96 39
Scotland Neck	333	346	13	.....	2042 25	2474 50	432 25	.....

*Pastor's Salary $50.00. Minutes $1.00.—$51.00.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.—Concluded.

CHURCHES.	Members. 1898	Members. 1899	Increase.	Decrease.	Receipts. 1898	Receipts. 1899	Increase.	Decrease.
Sulphur Springs	56	56	.....	.....	70 10	70 75	65	.....
Spring Hope	40	77	37	.....	121 03	163 00	42 97	.....
Stanhope	51	45	6	.....	.....	70 00	.....	.....
Social Plains	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tillery	44	40	.....	4	172 57	187 44	114 87	.....
Tarboro	37	91	54	.....	397 50	407 50	10 00	.....
Turkey Branch	43	40	.....	3	54 05	59 96	5 91	.....
Williamston	59	78	19	.....	599 95	625 62	25 67	.....
Warren Plains	120	114	.....	6	185 88	185 96	08	.....
Wilson	167	207	40	.....	1323 08	1213 37	.....	109 71
Washington	78	69	.....	9	438 59	599 11	160 52	.....
Warrenton	166	.....	.....	11	1039 55	1176 32	136 77	.....
Weldon	85	79	.....	6	717 40	596 17	.....	121 23
	7,711	.....	525	184	19715 95	.....	2838 28	1688 71
Net Increase	.....	.....	341	.....	.....	.....	1149 57	.....
Conoho	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	1 65	.....	.....

M. L. KESLER.
FOREST SMITH.
T. M. ARRINGTON. } Committee.

A motion was made that the reports on Home and State missions and the work of Woman's Missionary Societies be taken up together and Brother Kesler read report on Home Mission, Brother Smith on Woman's Missionary Societies and Bro. Cree report on State Missons.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Dr. Tichenor in his last report says "The declaration of war with Spain, the shock given to business amounting almost to a financial panic, the excitement which followed the march of armies and the victories on land and sea; the dread fever overspreading more than half the area of our convention; the low price of agricultural products; the long, hard winter; the floods and freezes and the icy hand thrust into the heart of Spring have made this conventional year one of the most trying in our history."

The embarrassment was increased by larger opportunities thrust just out before us.

We are happy to report that while the Board did its utmost to seize these golden opportunities that might be lost to us forever, they did not diminish the work on any field already occupied.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

"The number of missionaries employed this year was 653 against 467 last year. Baptisms this year 6,552 against 4,739 last year. Total additions to churches this year 12,983 against 9,509 last year. Sunday-schools organized this year 512 with 14, 768 teachers and pupils, against 297 with 7,710 teachers and pupils last year.

The amount raised and expended on the field for Home Missions this year is $65,818.81 against $54,251.04 last year. There have been collected and expended in building houses of worship on the field this year $50,050.33 against $56,385.46 last year, making a total of money raised

on the field $115,869.14 against a total raised on the field last year of $110,636.50, an increase of $5,232.64.

The total cash received by the Board from the States $61,794.58 against $54,050.41, an increase in the States of $7,744.17, which is the real increase in cash contributions, and does not include value of boxes and miscellaneous receipts from other sources."

For this Association last year $370.22, this year $406.92, a gain of $36.70.

No part of God's wide spreading kingdom promises a richer harvest than the work undertakeu by the Home Board. Our frontier work stretches from the Kansas line south to the Rio Grande and thence to the sea, a territory a thousand miles long by five hundred miles wide, a vast empire within itself, soon to rival the east in its civilization and culture.

The mountain region embracing portions of a half dozen of our best southern states is regarded with increasing importance. These mountain barriers which have fenced in from the rest of the world vast resources of material wealth and the greater wealth of mind are, being opened up for unlimited development.

The city has figured largely in the civilization of the century now drawing to its close; it will figure more largely in the 20th, standing ready to lift the latch. The colored race living among us call to us for help and guidance rather than to a people who do not know them. The politician has tried the colored man and brought all parties to grief. The gospel is his first and great need.

Free Cuba, free and yet not free, invites us to come in and possess that delightful land. Tyranny and all its attendant vices have had a long day; the hour has come for the gospel of Christ to come in.

Truly "The haryest is plenteous, but the laborers are few."

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. KESLER.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

If the great practical object of the church of Christ on earth be to spend its energies in extending the kingdom of our Master, experience teaches us that to our denomination there is no field more available, and more productive than that within our own State. The work lies to our hand; it is within easy reach; and every bit of territory conquered for Christ becomes reproductive in carrying on every other branch of the Lord's work committed to our charge. Under the able and energetic leadership of our Secretary and our State Mission Board, "let us go up and posess the land."

The Tar River Association, which has distinguished itself in this work in the past, we are assured will not lag behind in the ensuing Associational year. We want to impress upon our churches that the area of our Convention having been greatly extended, our efforts should keep pace with our enlarged opportunities, and the urgent demands they make upon us.

The divine Spirit has made signally fruitful the labors of our missionaries throughout this year.

May we see in this the hand of God pointing us to go forward with

redoubled zeal. We recommend that special collections for State Missions be taken in every church within our bounds before the meeting of our Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD CREE.

Raleigh, N. C., June 21st, 1899.

Report of the Woman's Central Committee of Missions of North Carolina to the Tar River Association:

It is with great pleasure that the Central Committee reports to your Association another prosperous year in its mission work. While we regret to say there are yet many churches in which there are no Woman's Missionary Societies, the number of these organizations is constantly increasing and testimony to their helpfulness comes from every section of our State. The aim of these societies is not only regular contributions to Home, State and Foreign Missions but also the study of the scriptures, united prayer and mission study. It is with deep thankfulness, therefore, that we can truly say we believe the societies are not only growing in gifts but in the Grace of God and the knowledge of His word.

In the year 1897-98, ninety-six new societies were organized, and $6,893 was reported. December, 1898, closed the thirteenth report of the Central Committee. This Committee was appointed by the State Board of Missions in 1896, and from a beginning of fourteen societies has risen to three hundred and fifty. In the thirteen years' work $44,661 00 has been reported.

We ask again, as last year, for the continued assistance of the ministers, believing that an active Woman's Missionary Society will be found to be a blessing to every branch of church work.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE E. S. HECK,
President Woman's Central Committee.

In 1897-98, twenty-three societies reported to the State Central Committee; from the seventy-eight churches of this Association the following amounts to Home, State and Foreign Missions:

Henderson	$102.21
Sunbeams, Henderson	40.74
Washington	14.65
Sunbeams, Washington	9.61
Scotland Neck	140 50
Sunbeams, Scotland Neck	6.70
Poplar Springs	25.00
Weldon	17 50
Sunbeams, Louisburg	4 75
Louisburg	87 69
Wilson	70.32
Sunbeams, Wilson	4.54
Rocky Mount	55.72
Gardners	10.50
Warren Plains	10.95
Battleboro	2.13
Young Girls, Henderson	4.30

Maplesille	23.70
Hobgood	6.10
Tillery	1.50
Enfield	27.05
Sunbeams, Weldon	4.50
Littleton	2.00
Total	$672.66.

WOMAN'S WORK.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Tar River Association met in its second annual session at Warren Plains, Oct. 5th, 1899 at 10 o'clok, a. m.

The meeting was called to order by the President. After singing "Work for the night is coming," scripture reading—John 8: 12, 16. Prayer by Mrs. Pendleton of Warrenton, followed by singing "Where are the reapers?" The address of Welcome was made by Mrs. W. S. Terrell of Warren Plains, and responded to by Mrs. Maria Parham of Henderson.

Delegates were enrolled, and letters from societies read as follows.

Poplar Springs, Miss White,	$21.40
Henderson, Mrs. Parham,	95.10
Sandy Creek, Letter	2.65
Wilson, "	74 45
Gardeners, Miss Lottie Coleman	10.45
Hobgood, Letter,	11.15
Maple Springs "	16.50
Warren Plains, Mrs. W. E. Hawks,	13.04
Louisburg, Mrs. Josiah Crudup,	108.72
Sunbeams, Henderson, Mrs. Shaw,	60.37
Total.	$393.93

Mrs. Kennedy, of Williamston, was present as a delegate from that society, made no report. Six woman's and six children's societies sent no delegates and no reports.

Letter from Miss Heck.

Words from our foreign missionaries were read as follows:

Idolatry must go—Miss White, Canton, China.

A Plea for workers—Mrs. Tatum, Shanghai, China.

An unsolicited honor—Mrs. Pruitt, Chefoo, China.

A Model missionary association—Mr. Britton, The Yates memorial missionary.

Dr. R. T. Vann, of Scotland Neck, made a most interesting and instructive address on woman's work and how mission work is done.

A call for those who were interested in the organization of missionary societies. Adjournment.

MRS. W. B. SHAW, President.
MRS. W. T. TERRELL, Vice President.
MISS BETSIE RODWELL, Secretary.

After discussion by brethren Cree, Solomon and Vann the roll of churches was called and the following promised a collection for State Missions before the meeting of the Convention at Asheville in December:

Brown's, Bear Swamp, Battleboro, Bethlehem, Bethel $5.00, Cedar Rock, Corinth, Crocker's Chapel, Cary Chapel, Dawson's (field) $15, Elm City (field) $15, Eagles, Fishing Creek, Greenville, Gardner's, Hickory, Harris' Chapel, Henderson, John's Chapel, Louisburg, Macon, Mount Hebron, Middleburg, New Bethel, Peach Tree, Philadelphia, Rock Spring, Roanoke Rapids, Rocky Mount, Red Oak, Reedy Creek, Stony Creek, Sharon, Samaria, Sandy Creek, Scotland Neck, Spring Hope, Stanhope, Tarboro, Williamston, Warren Plains, Wilson, Washington, Warrenton, Weldon.

After which the report was adopted.

Report on Woman's Missionary societies was discussed by Bro. Smith and the report was amended by adding report of the Woman's Missionary Society at Warren Plains, after which it was adopted.

After remarks report on Home Missions was adopted. A motion was made by Bro. Hufham that a collection be taken for Foreign Missions, which was done and $20.36 was raised.

In the absence of Report on Sunday-Schools it was agreed that the report be sent to clerk for minutes.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The command to teach all nations is a command to teach the children. The command to preach the gospel to every creature includes the children and the Sunday-school work is an effort of our churches to carry out this last command of our Lord with respect to the children, and in this work all our members should be enlisted. To neglect this important work and thus disobey, with respect to the children, the last command of our Lord is an act of rebellion against Him. To neglect to teach the children the word of God is a sin. Our churches are rapidly improving in this work, but much remains yet to be done.

Let us as an Association press this work.

The Sunday-school Chautauquas should be largely attended for they are a means of education and inspiration. Collections should be taken at least once a year to aid our Sunday-School Board in its work and each member of our churches should actively work to build up the school in his home church.

J. R. RODWELL.

Report on obituaries by Bro. J. K. Howell, who read list of our departed brethren and sisters since our last session and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Sister Elizabeth Clark, of Browns, a faithful member, died last Spring in the full enjoyment of the blessed hope. Bro John H. Burroughs of the same church was left an orphan in early life. He battled against the many difficulties that came upon him successfully, and came out a self made man; the friend of the poor and helpless, and a devoted Christian on whom his pastor could always rely.

Bro. Jasper Shearin, Jr. of Bear Swamp died Oct. 18th, 1898. He trusted in the Savior at 10 and was baptized at 14. He was an exemplary Christian of lovable spirit and unsual promise.

Sister Bettie Butts, of Quankie, a meek humble Christian loved by all who knew her, died Sept. 19th, 1899.

Sister Ann Harris, a member of Reedy Creek, died last June about 68. She was a good, quiet humble Christian.

Miss Louise Lawrence, of Williamston, a faithful, consistent member, loved for her noble life and sweet Christian character, died July 28th, 1899, at the age of 20.

Dr. George A. Foote, of Warrenton church, was born Dec. 16th, 1835, and died Jan. 25th, 1899. He loved his profession and succeeded not only as a practitioner, but as a skilled surgeon. He was not only loved and honored by his people at home but he was honored by the State and the Confederate States, both of which gave him very high positions. His life was one of usefulness and in his sickness and death he was sustained by the blessed hope of eternal life.

Walter Henry Aycock, of Warrenton church, was born in Franklin county, Jan. 7th, 1862, and died March 18th, 1899. He was a successful merchant, and a conistent Christian throughly consecrated to the service of God. When he gave his life to God he determined to do what he could to serve him. This rule he kept through life. In his last years he grew rapidly in his Master's likeness, and died honored and beloved.

Edward B. Harris died on the 19th of May 1899, aged 79. Six years ago he made a profession of religion and joined the church in Warrenton, ever after striving to live a Christian.

William Eaton Loyd, of Warren Plains, a quiet, industrious, honest upright man, and an earnest, sincere Christian and whom his neighbors say, was a good man, died May 19th, 1898, in his 39th year.

N. G. Perkinson, the oldest son of the late Wiley and Sallie Perkinson, a member of Sharon, was converted in early life and lived a consistent, active Christian till his death May 11th, 1899 in the 46th year of his age. As merchant he built up a large trade. He was kind hearted and liberal, always in sympathy with the poor and needy. Truly it may be said a good man is gone to his reward.

Lucy Solomon Credle, daughter of Rev. L. C. and Mary E. Perkinson, was born March 16th, 1860. The 3rd. Sunday in August 1874, she became a member of Sharon, in June 1880 she graduated with honor from Chowan Baptist Female Institute. She had a special talent for teaching and taught several years in Wake, Warren and Hyde. In her youth she refused to participate in amusements that seemed to have even the appearence of evil, and thus she lived a singularly pure and consistent Christian life, daily exemplifying "the power of an endless life." She was a source of continual joy to her parents and brothers and sisters, to her beloved husband she was all that the most loving and faithful wife could be, devoted to her children and true to her many friends.

Mrs. Sallie A. Tarwater, of Warrenton church, died June 6th, 1899, in her 71st year. For about 55 years she was a member of a Baptist church. First in Richmond, Va., her birth place, then for many years at Clarksville, Va., and] for more than 20 years in Warrenton, N. C., where she died.

She ends this long life of love and good works leaving behind many warm friends and children full of love and devotion to join the dear ones who have gone before. Well done, faithful one, the joy of the Lord is thine.

S. R. Duke, son of our beloved G. M. Duke, was born May 31st, .1878, joined Philadelphia church October 1894 and died Sept. 11th, 1899. He was in every sense a good boy, and died peacefully.

Sister Lanier after spending a long life in the service of the Master and her daughter, Mrs. L. T. Catlett, have passed from their loved ones at Rocky Mt. over to the other side. W. T. Hicks, born in Warren Co., passed to his reward Aug. 23rd, 1899. His death in his young and hopeful prime, consecrated and ready for every good work, is a great loss to Rocky Mt. church.

Mrs. Gardner was for more than fifty years a faithful representative of the Baptist cause in Hamilton. For a good many years she was almost the only Baptist in the place waiting patiently for coming of better days. When the church was reorganized and the new house of worship was built 1878-80, she entered heartily into the movement and to the day of her death labored earnestly for the well-being of the church. She came to her grave as a shock of corn that is fully ripe, leaving behind a good name which is rather to be chosen than great riches and the memory of a sweet and saintly life.

Mrs. Sallie S. Salisbury, relict of R. B. Salisbury and daughter of John M. Sherrod, of Hamilton, died ere she had passed the meridian of of life. The Lord doth not often give to this world so choice and sweet a spirit. In all the work of the church and in all the gentle ministries of life she was the helper of pastors and the inspiration of the flock.

Mrs. Carter, the beloved wife of Deacon Dallas Carter, of Elm City, filled a large measure of usefulness. Her sun went down while it was yet day, and while to all human seeming there was need for her not only in the family and the community, but also in the church. But the ways of the Lord are not our ways. What He doeth we know not now but we shall know hereafter. And we shall know that all God's plans are best.

The church at Elm City has also sustained a great loss in the death Mrs. Chears, wife of Dr. B. Chears. The heart of her husband did safely trust in her and her children rose up and called her blessed.

Mrs. Julia Wheeler Worthington, wife of Col. D. Worthington, one of Wilson's best members, died December 11th, 1898. With an educated mind and heart full of faith, she did many noble deeds in different parts of the State. I can almost see her now as she cultivated and gathered beautiful flowers at Rocky Mount and cheered pastor and people with their beauty and fragrance from the pulpit, and as she collected means to adorn and beautify the church and send the gospel to foreign lands. She leaves a devoted husband and two loving children to mourn their loss.

Respectfully submitted,

J. K. HOWELL.

Report of Finance Committee was offered and adopted.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Associational Missions,	$ 296 00 528.45 359.82	$1,184.28

State Missions,	$ 9.35 2.33 5.72	17.40
Foreign Missions,	$ 4.26 3.00 26.00	33.26
Home Missions,	$ 5.32 2.65 5.50	13.47
Ministerial Education,	$ 6.31 21.65 22.00	49. 96
Aged Ministers,	$ 1.90 7.25 6.15	15.30
Orphanage,	$ 7.58 7.90 12.94	28.42
Minute Fund,	$ 26.60 15.80 25.30	67.70
		$ 1,409.79.

Oct. 5, '99. WALTER ALLEN, C. J. BURTON, } Com.

Bro. Hufham offered the report on Aged Ministers, and after touching remarks it was adopted.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS.

The relief board is located at Durham and is composed of good men who are giving this work their best effort. Since the last convention fifteen beneficiaries have been helped. One hundred dollars more was given to this work than ever before last year, which shows that it is taking hold upon the hearts of our people, and encourages us to continue in this good work. Your committee has this to reccommend that our pastors keep this matter before our people and give at least one collection a year to this worthy object.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. DUKE.

Report on Temperance by Bro. J. E. Hocutt was read and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Noah did a good and a bad thing for the world. He built an ark against the deluge of water. But ever since he made wine and drank too much, there has been a deluge of drunkenness so great that man has never been able to build an ark against the tide.

Paul did not fail to speak of meekness, and temperance, against such there is no law. Alcohol has ever been the enemy to the church of Christ.

It is needless for me to present a statistical report to this body. But

we know that the amount spent annually for alcoholic drinks is alarming, besides the misery, idleness, crime and the unhappiness it brings to women and children.

We are sorry to say that in many sections of the country church members visit the saloon and drink habitually.

The church of Christ needs to take its stand against the evil of strong drink, and the day will soon come when this evil shall be banished. It is already thought a crime in many sections to see a church member visiting the saloons.

Therefore we urge that all our churches take a strong stand against this evil till church members shall cease to visit any place to which they cannot invite the Lord Jesus Christ.

J. E. HOCUTT,

Bro. T. M. Arrington offered the following report on hospitality, which was heartily and unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the Tar River Association return thanks to the church at Warren Plains and to the members and citizens of the neighborhood and the town of Warrenton, for the hospitable manner in which we as delegates have been cared for—and also to the members of the Methodist church for the use of their house of worship.

It was ordered that the clerk have the usual number of minutes printed, and receive the usual compensation for his services.

A cash collection amounting to $5. 63 was taken to buy a Record book for the Association.

The business of the body having been finished, the best meeting in its history, and after peculiarly happy and fitting remarks by the beloved pastor of the church and Moderator and while the choir rendered a hymn, the parting hand was taken, and then our venerable and loved Bro. Solomon offered a feryant prayer after which the Moderator declared the Association adjourned to meet with the church at Spring Hope on Tuesday after the second Sunday in October, 1900.

N. L. SHAW, Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX, Cl'k and Treas.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it best to be governed by certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted, unless he violates some rule of decorum.
4. The person speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject, and in nowise reflect on any other brother.
5. No brother shall absent himself from the Association without obtaining permission from the body.
6. No brother shall speak more than twice on the same subject without unanimous consent.
7. No person shall whisper while a brother is speaking.

8. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the clerk, and called as often as the Association requires.

9. The Moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but is entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

10. An order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session, and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the churches who shall produce letters certifying their appointment. Members thus chosen and convened, together with the pastors, shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, which shall have no power over the churches, nor shall it infringe on any of their rights.

2. The letters from the churches shall contain the number then in fellowship and of those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded and died since last Association.

3. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

4. Other churches, upon petition by letter and by delegates, and after a satisfactory examination of their Articles of Faith, may be admitted to the body by a unanimous vote, when the Moderator shall give to their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

5. Every church in this Association is entitled to one representative but no church more than three.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it may be debated or not.

7. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with copies of its Minutes.

8. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

9. Any church no representing itself in this body for three successive sessions, by letter or delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of the churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

10. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

11. Visiting brethren from sister churches, or similar bodies, may be invited to participate in our deliberations.

12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and to the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.

13. This Constitution is subject to alteration by a majority vote of the delegates enrolled at any session.

14. The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

PLEDGES:

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Total.
Antioch	$								
Bear Swamp	12 45					2 25		45	15 15
Battleboro	10 00	1 33				2 00	2 00	1 00	16 33
Brown's	25 00		1 00					1 25	27 25
Bethlehem	2 00				1 00	56		80	4 36
Bethel	12 00							50	12 50
Cedar Rock	10 00				4 65			1 00	15 65
Conoho	1 15				50				1 65
Corinth	15 00				2 50			1 25	18 75
Castalia	5 00							1 00	6 00
Crocker's Chapel	5 25							50	5 75
Cypress Chapel	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00				1 00	5 00
Conoconara	15 00							60	15 60
Cary's Chapel	5 00							35	5 35
Dawson	25 00								25 00
Elm City	15 00							50	15 50
Enfield	15 00								15 00
Enterprise	10 00				5 00				15 00
Elm Grove	5 00							1 00	6 00
Ephesus	13 05		65	50		3 09	3 00	1 60	21 89
Eagle's	10 00							50	10 50
Fishing Creek	12 50				2 50			75	15 75
Greenville									
Gardner's	20 00				5 00		1 25		26 25
Gethsemane	15 00							50	15 50
Halifax	5 00							25	5 25
Hickory	26 00								26 00
Hobgood	6 75			1 50	1 00		1 00	1 00	11 25
Harris' Chapel	15 00				2 00			1 35	18 35
Hamilton	10 00							50	10 50
Henderson								1 50	1 50
John's Chapel			2 50			1 25		25	4 00
Littleton	25 00				5 00			1 00	31 00
Louisburg	100 00							1 50	101 50
Macon	10 00	1 72						50	12 22
Marmaduke	5 00							50	5 50
Maple Springs	25 00							2 00	27 00
Mt. Hebron								1 00	1 00
Mildred	10 00							50	10 50
Mt. Zion	12 50				2 50			1 00	16 00
Middleburg	10 00							1 00	11 00
North Rocky Mount	5 00						2 00	50	7 50
New Bethel	12 00	3 00	3 00	25 00		6 25		1 30	50 55
New Hope	2 00							50	2 50
Nashville	9 00							65	9 65
Oak Level	5 00							75	5 75
Pactolus	10 00								10 00
Peach Tree	9 47				2 50			1 50	13 47
Plymouth									
Philadelphia	20 00			1 00	2 50	1 00	1 65	1 50	27 65
Poplar Springs	25 00				5 00			1 00	31 00
Pleasant Grove	10 00						2 50	1 50	14 00
Pine Forest	4 86							50	5 36
Quankie	5 00	1 00				2 94		1 00	9 94
Rock Springs	10 00							1 00	11 00
Red Oak	20 00				2 50	1 50		1 50	25 50
Rocky Mount	45 00							2 00	47 00
Roanoke Rapids	11 00						90	1 00	12 90
Reedy Creek	15 00							1 00	16 00
Red Bud	15 00						1 00	1 25	17 25
Stony Creek								2 00	2 00
Sharon	25 00							75	25 75
Samaria	10 30							1 00	11 30
Sandy Creek	5 70			1 96	1 05			1 50	10 21

PLEDGES.—Concluded.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Total.
Scotland Neck	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	203 00
Sulphur Springs	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	75	10 75
Spring Hope	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	1 25	11 25
Stanhope	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	9 00
Social Plains	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sharpsburg	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tillery	15 00	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	17 50
Tarboro	12 80	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	18 80
Turkey Branch	4 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	4 65
Williamston	20 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	23 00
Warren Plains	10 00	4 35	32	30	2 26	2 58	.....	1 15	20 96
Wilson	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	27 00
Washington	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00
Warrenton	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 30	52 30
Weldon	35 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	36 00
Totals	1 184 28	17 40	13 57	33 26	51 91	28 42	51 30	67 70	1009 97

CHURCHES.	Superintendents and Postoffic e.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken.	School Expenses.	Sunday-Schools.	Orphanage.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Education.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.
Bethel,....	T. R. Bullock, Bethel.....	5	63	.....	59	9 64	56	4 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brown's.....	J. A. Tunstall, Cokes.....	10	15	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bear Swamp.....	Bat. Bowers, Airlie.....	7	44	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethlehem.....	J. E. Hockaday, Kitchin.....	8	42	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Battleboro.....	L. A. Ward, Battleboro.....	4	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cary Chapel.....	.....	7	50	.....	.....	6 38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Castalia.....	L. J. Bartholomew, Castalia.....	8	70	.....	4	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Conoho.....	S. W. Casper, Conoho.....	5	45	.....	.....	3 79	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Rock.....	Jas. B. Fulghum, Stallings.....	12	70	.....	75	12 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corinth.....	W. T. Clark, Pugh's.....	11	158	.....	200	15 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cypress Chapel.....	.....	5	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crocker's Chapel.....	F. M. Powell, Nashville.....	14	62	.....	48	6 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dawson's.....	Lynn Branch, Dawson's.....	9	45	60	.....	7 04	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elm Grove.....	J. H. Odom, Nashville.....	7	60	10	100	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enfield.....	E. L. Pike, Enfield.....	7	40	.....	40	10 00	.....	5 17	77	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ephesus.....	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope....	5	60	100	60	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eagles.....	W. F. Eagles, Crisp.....	5	45	.....	50	7 00	.....	23 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enterprise.....	A. T. Barnes, Littleton.....	7	50	.....	25	10 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00	5 00	.....	.....
Elm City.....	William Barnes, Elm City.....	4	60	.....	40	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek.....	R. L. Avent, Ita.....	5	40	.....	50	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 65	.....
Gardner's.....	W. A. Pegram, Vaughan.....	10	65	.....	75	10 00	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gethsemane.....	O. L. Pittman, Gethsemane.....	....	25	.....	48	2 00	.....	2 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hickory.....	T. E. Powell, Gold Rock.....	5	50	.....	24	3 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hobgood.....	D. J. Brock, Hobgood.....	5	52	30	55	4 98	.....	13 62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hamilton.....	J. H. Sherrod, Hamilton.....	6	63	30	25	7 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harriss Chapel.....	W. H. Mabry, Essex.....	6	38	50	.....	.....	1 86	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John's Chapel.....	A. A. Morgan, Glover.....	7	55	.....	81	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 80	.....
Louisburg.....	Thos. B. Wilder, Louisburg....	12	125	175	175	100 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Littleton.....	John E. W. Carr, Littleton.....	8	60	120	100	25 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middleburg.....	.....	3	24	.....	200	6 39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Zion.....	John H. Harper, Laurel.....	8	93	.....	90	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mildred.....	E. C. Knight, Mildred.....	4	20	24	40	5 00	.....	12 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marmaduke.....	M. T. Duke, Marmaduke.....	6	35	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maple Springs.....	J. W. Strange, Mapleville.....	10	75	100	100	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Macon.....	J. L. Coleman, Macon.....	6	34	.....	.....	5 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Hebron.....	J. S. Shearin, Ransom's Bridge.	6	60	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Rocky Mount.....	R. C. Wallace, Rocky Mount...	6	72	.....	146	24 10	.....	16 18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

New Bethel	W. B. Daniel, Epsom	11	85		125	14 00							
Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	4	25		70	16 00							
New Hope	J. T. Dew, Wilson	3	20			1 45							
Oak Level	T. A. Bone, Nashville	5	50		140	5 00							
Pine Forest	J. A. Whitley, Everetts	6	50		30	1 00							
Poplar Springs	J. M. White, Sutton	24	500	100	200	30 00							
Philadelphia	J. T. D. Avent, Dukes	6	70		144	5 98							
Peach Tree	W. T. May, Spring Hope	9	67			5 00							
Pleasant Grove	G. T. Baines, Oakland	5	48			2 00							
Quankie	Jesse M. Cullom, Weldon	6	19		24	2 50							
Rock Springs	J. B. Wilder, Louisburg	6	35		55	6 05						1 00	
Reedy Creek	W. H. Tucker, Grove Hill	6	45		24	2 25							
Rocky Mount	S. V. T. Chamblee, Rocky Mt	8	116	135	2 17	83 91		36 00				6 00	6 00
Rocky Mount (Branch School)	C. E. Timmons, Rocky Mount	5	30		47	6 00							
Red Bud	E. P. Pearce, Centreville	9	108		100	4 00							
Red Oak	W. H. Jones, Red Oak	8	70	30	80	9 70		7 00					
Roanoke Rapids	R. C. Lassiter, Roanoke Rapids	8	138		255	43 86		7 50					
Stony Creek	S. J. F. Ellen, Rocky Mount	6	70	7	112	10 00							
Scotland Neck	S. W. Morrisett, Scotland Neck	25	200	800	350	167 00		325 00					
Samaria	Rayford Chamblee, Stanhope	5	50			2 00							
Spring Hope			50	40	175	13 00		2 08					
Sulphur Springs	R. E. Aycock, Elberton	6	36		31	13 56							
Stanhope	S. R. Pearce, Finch	4	40			2 00							
South Rocky Mount	G. L. Parker, Rocky Mount	5	60		65	3 92		1 00					
Sandy Creek	G. B. West, Oswego	9	82		65	5 50							
Sharon	L. E. Hicks, Wise	7	60	50	80	10 00		4 50					
Tillery	P. V. Tillery, Tillery	4	27		2	20 27		2 25					
Turkey Branch	J. T. Sexton, Enfield	8	84			5 00							
Tarboro	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	10	70	50	125	9 15		25 50					
Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	14	113	467	250	89 82	10 00	6 75					
Wilson	C. E. Blount, Wilson	17	125	75	153	60 00		13 03				5 66	
Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	7	60	50	112	31 16							
Williamston	Dennis Simmons, Williamston	10	87		120	37 03		42 00					
Warren Plains	W. S. Terrell, Warren Plains	12	105	340	180	28 53		20 19					4 16
Washington	Thos. J. Latham, Washington	7	52		82	27 96		23 27	1 51				1 84
Totals		435	4 929	2 818	5 375	1 145 26	12 42	653 42	2 28	10 00	5 00	18 08	12 00

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Colportage.	Orphannge.	Sunday-Schools.	Ministers' Relief Board.	Minute Fund.	Woman's Mission Societies.	Total.
Antioch																	
Bethel	80 00	12 00		892 00		12 50	80	6 50		56		7 51			50		1012 77
Brown's	150 00				3 16	25 00	3 06		2 25			10 00		2 56	1 25		197 28
Bear Swamp	100 00		5 43		10 42	12 45	1 20		6 23			3 75			45		139 93
Bethlehem	32 00					2 00	6 00	75	75	1 00		56			80		43 86
Battleboro	50 00	5 00				10 00	1 33	1 00				2 00		2 00	1 00		72 33
Cary's Chapel	40 00					5 00		1 83				2 30		1 21	35		50 69
Castaila	75 00	73 30		16 25		5 00									1 00		170 55
Conoho					2 00	1 15									50		3 65
Conoconara	60 00	2 00			13 00	15 00						1 29			60		91 89
Cedar Rock	100 00	15 00			10 00	10 00				4 65					1 00		140 65
Corinth	120 00				8 00	15 00			3 00	2 50		8 50			1 25		158 25
Cypress Chapel	75 00	5 00		5 00		1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00						1 00		90 00
Crocker's Chapel	25 00					5 25									50		30 75
Cedar Branch																	
Dawsons	125 00		2 50			25 00	7 82	5 82	7 23			6 90					180 27
Elm Grove	50 00					5 00		1 32							1 00		57 32
Enfield	150 00	25 41		6 00	2 25	15 00	1 90	6 17	7 27			1 06					215 06
Ephesus	75 00				2 50	13 05	1 00	2 65	1 50			3 09		3 00	1 60		103 39
Eagles	100 00	6 61	2 00	7 35	6 50	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00			10 00			50		157 96
Enterprise	80 00	1 00	15 00			15 00											111 00
Elm City	125 00	23 00				15 00	2 00					5 00			50		170 50
Fishing Creek	50 00					12 50				2 50					75		65 75
Gethsemane	40 00	1 00			6 00	10 75	4 25	1 25	1 20	2 00		55					63 85
Gardner's	150 00	20 66				20 00	8 81	4 18	4 18	5 00		4 16	1 51	1 25			249 75
Greenville																	
Hickory	100 00					15 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	1 50		3 00		1 75	1 25		126 00
Halifax	25 00	6 00		3 50		5 00						1 15			25		40 90
Hobgood	40 00	4 00		32 61	26 50	6 75	12 34	3 91	5 25	2 00		4 20		1 00	1 00		139 56
Hamilton	50 00	15 00		2 00	3 00	10 00	4 00		4 80			7 00			50		96 30
Harris' Chapel	75 00	7 00			5 00	15 00	1 80	1 50	1 55	2 00					1 35		110 10
Henderson																	
John's Chapel	40 00							2 50				1 25			25		44 00
Louisburg	900 00	125 00	50 00	25 00		100 00		60 00	175 00	325 00		150 00		50 00	1 50		1981 50
Littleton	275 00	25 00	7 00	3 00	15 00	25 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	10 00		10 00			1 00		396 00
Middleburg	100 00	40		35 36		14 20	5 55	4 40	8 70	6 14		10 50		7 50	1 00		193 75
Mount Zion	75 00			300 00	10 00	12 50				2 50					1 00		401 00

Mildred	75 00	3 00			16 85	10 00	3 00		7 00			7 40			50		122 75
Marmaduke	50 00					5 00						2 00			50		57 50
Maple Spring	150 00	6 00				25 00		3 50				2 75	16 50		2 00		205 75
Macon	50 00	1 25		23 39	24 82	10 00	8 54	2 00	2 00	1 00	3 13	10			50		126 73
Mount Hebron	50 00														1 00		51 00
North Rocky Mount	100 00	25 00				5 00						7 50		2 00	50		140 00
New Bethel	125 00	184 44				12 00	3 00	3 00	25 00			6 25	5 00		1 30		344 99
Nashville	100 00	12 00				9 00									65		121 65
New Hope	40 00					2 00									50		42 50
Oak Level	40 00					5 00						3 00			75		48 75
Pine Forest	50 00	3 12			19 00	4 86	1 57					7 77			50		86 82
Poplar Springs	150 00	50 00	1 40			25 00				5 00					1 00		232 40
Philadelphia	64 85		2 40			20 00	2 08		1 00	2 50		7 00		1 65	1 50		102 98
Peach Tree	100 00	43 00				9 47				2 50					1 50		156 47
Pactolus	40 00	1 60			24 00	10 00	1 50					2 00					79 10
Pleasant Grove	100 00				4 18	10 00	1 60							2 50	1 50		119 78
Plymouth																	
Quankie	50 00				8 32	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 17			2 94			1 00		70 43
Rock Spring	100 00		4 00			10 00	2 80	1 40	5 00								123 20
Reedy Creek	63 00	12 50				15 00	1 11					5 22			1 00		97 83
Rocky Mount	500 06	48 46		170 40	271 86	45 00	14 65	11 11	24 33	20 00		50 00	10 26	7 60	2 00	17 65	1177 67
Red Bud	75 00		2 80			15 00								1 00	1 25		95 05
Red Oak	100 00	19 47	10 00		6 32	20 00		1 54	2 50			18 70			1 50		179 90
Roanoke Rapids	100 00	81 62	15 00			11 00	3 60	3 65	2 50			6 95		90	1 90		213 32
Stony Creek	200 00	30 00				50 00									2 00		282 00
Scotland Neck	1000 00	150 00	40 00		345 00	200 00	144 00	166 00	86 50	25 00	102 00				3 00		2274 50
Samaria	60 00	1 60				10 00		30							1 00		62 90
Spring Hope	125 00	12 89			12 37	5 00	1 87	1 93				5 00			1 25		165 31
Sulphur Springs	60 00					10 00									75		70 75
Stanhope	50 00					8 00							2 00		1 00		61 00
Sandy Creek						5 70			1 96	1 05					1 50		10 21
Sharon	150 00	5 00		5 00	30 00	25 00	2 00					5 25			75		223 00
Social Plains																	
Tillery	100 00	24 40		52 07	50 80	15 00	4 37	7 65	7 40			5 75		2 50			269 94
Turkey Branch	50 00				1 51	4 50	1 50		2 55						15		60 21
*Tarboro	150 00	62 50	7 50	20 00	100 00	12 80	10 50	5 35	7 35			16 00			1 00		407 50
†Warrenton	500 00	83 39	9 45		1154 25	50 00	10 78	117 25	26 25			111 01		9 29	2 30		2199 12
Wilson	600 00	175 00	5 64	91 15		25 00	33 64	48 65	23 40	93 60		10 18			2 00		1213 37
Weldon	400 00	34 17			28 00	35 00	5 00	26 00	16 00	2 50		35 16	10 90	2 50	1 00		560 17
Williamston	400 00	70 00		40 00	30 25	20 00	5 00	4 00	5 00			52 37			1 00		529 60
Warren Plains	100 00	12 13		200 00		10 00	12 78	5 80	3 90	2 26		17 90			1 15		365 92
‡Washington	313 77	74 10	1 16	132 02	6 00		29 05		2 00			9 04			1 00	21 34	569 04
Totals	9 973 62	1 608 36	181 28	2 062 10	2 266 04	1 235 43	385 24	530 98	493 82	523 16	105 13	601 01	46 17	100 21	66 45	38 99	20 377 67

*$14.50 church extension. †$80.00 Female University. ‡$50 sent to J. E. White. $10 paid Dr. Carter. $14 paid Dr. Bagby.

CHURCHES.	Pastors and Postoffices.	Clerks and Postoffices.	Sundays of Preaching.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Antioch												
Bethel	W. A. Ayers, Bethel	W. A. Knox, Bethel	2	18	3	....	1	....	1	21	32	53
Brown's	T. J. Taylor, Warrenton	J. N. Tunstall, Cokes	2	1	2	....	3	....	2	58	71	129
Bear Swamp	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville	4	2	1	....	2	....	1	80	89	169
Bethlehem	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	Ed. Pepper, Aurelian Springs	3	11	1	2	....	2	....	....	....	42
Battleboro	C. C. Williams, Royal	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	4	4	1	....	....	....	1	16	37	53
Cary's Chapel	J. A. Stradley, Oxford	B. F. Johnson, Henderson	1	3	5	....	....	3	1	17	21	38
Castalia	A. A. Pippin, Wakefield	J. D. Wheless, Castalia	4	36	11	1	4	1	1	51	39	90
Conoho	G. L. Merrill, Hobgood	J. C. Ross, Conoho	1	....	20	....	....	....	....	14	6	20
Conoconara	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	J. A. Pope, Scotland Neck	1	2	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	34
Cedar Rock	W. C. Nowell, Nashville	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	3	3	3	....	9	4	....	77	95	172
Corinth	Forest Smith, Louisburg	Albert J. Demuth, Ingleside	3	25	7	3	5	....	1	59	77	136
Cypress Chapel	G. W. May, Wake Forest	E. S. Moore, Spring Hope	4	7	....	....	....	1	....	24	40	64
Crocker's Chapel	G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	3	23	2	....	....	....	....	11	12	23
Cedar Branch		W. A. Mobley, Jamesville										
Dawson's	R. H. Herring, Enfield	W. J. Partin, Crowells	4	8	....	....	8	2	2	66	77	143
Elm Grove	Geo. W. Coppedge, Wakefield	C. H. Baines, Nashville	1	....	....	....	3	....	1	39	86	125
Enfield,	R. H. Herring, Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	2	....	3	....	....	1	....	22	31	53
Ephesus	G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	4	6	1	....	1	....	....	44	65	109
Eagles	Braxton Craig, Tarboro	B. F. Eagles, Crisp	3	....	....	....	1	....	....	10	24	34
Enterprise	J. T. Edmondson, Littleton	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton	1	9	2	....	....	....	3	60	63	123
Elm City	W. A. Ayers, Bethel	J. H. Barkley, Elm City	1	4	2	....	3	1	2	34	43	77
Fishing Creek	E. C. Bobbitt, Raleigh	M. Bobbitt, Ita	1	1	....	....	5	1	....	22	35	57
Gardner's	A. Cree, Littleton	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	2, 4	6	....	....	....	2	2	56	89	145
Gethsemane	G. L. Merrell, Hobgood,	A. Anderson, Gethsemane	3	2	2	....	2	....	....	17	30	47
Greenville												
Hickory	C. C. Williams, Royal	B. F. Drake, Gold Rock	4	42	1	....	3	5	....	60	79	139
Halifax	R. H. Herring, Enfield		1	....	1	....	....	....	....	5	11	16
Hobgood	G. L. Merrell, Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	2	9	5	....	10	1	....	13	27	40
Hamilton	W. A. Ayers, Bethel	J. H. Sherrod, Hamilton	4	14	2	....	....	....	3	11	29	40
Harriss Chapel	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	B. Y. Harriss, Essex	2	....	....	....	4	....	2	37	62	99
Henderson												
John's Chapel	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	J. P. Underwood, Eatan.m	4	9	....	....	2	3	....	22	37	59
Louisburg	Forest Smith, Louisburg	Thos. B. Wilder, Louisburg	1, 2, 3, 4	2	10	....	5	....	3	78	98	176

Littleton	A. Cree, Littleton	John E. McCraw, Littleton	1, 3	1	....	....	6	....	3	37	53	90
Middleburg	W. R. Cullom, Wake Forest	C. J. Burton, Middleburg	2	2	1	....	3	....	....	17	24	41
Mt. Zion	G. M. Duke, Dukes	W. F. Leonard, Laurel	3	....	1	....	5	....	2	52	114	166
Mildred	Braxton Craig, Tarboro	T. J. Crisp, Mildred	1, 2, 4	3	3	1	....	5	....	16	30	46
Marmaduke	J. T. Edmundson, Littleton	M. T. Duke, Marmaduke	2	....	7	....	....	....	....	18	22	40
Maple Springs	G. M. Duke, Dukes	J. H. Uzzell, Mapleville	4	13	3	....	4	1	2	66	95	161
Macon	A. Cree, Littleton	J. H. Nicholson, Macon	2, 4	....	1	....	....	....	....	16	24	40
Mt. Hebron	E. C. Bobbitt, Raleigh	G. T. Gupton, Centreville	3	8	....	3	1	3	1	47	105	152
North Rocky Mount	J. W. Powell, Rocky Mount	F. C. Furgerson, Rocky Mt	2, 4	4	2	....	5	5	2	18	37	55
New Bethel	G. N. Bray, Henderson	D. H. Decker, Henderson	1	17	8	3	4	5	1	72	153	225
Nashville	W. C. Nowell, Nashville	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	2	16	2	....	2	....	....	20	31	51
New Hope	W. H. Reddish, Wilson	R. H. White, Wilson	2	....	....	....	....	....	1	23	22	45
Oak Level	W. C. Nowell, Nashville	T. A. Bone, Nashville	1	13	4	1	....	1	....	17	33	50
Pine Forest	B. K. Mason, Williamston	D. L. Beach, Everetts	1	....	....	....	6	....	....	22	44	66
Poplar Springs	G. M. Duke, Dukes	J. R. Wright, Sutton	2	15	3	....	3	6	2	140	220	360
Philadelphia	G. M. Duke, Dukes	C. E. Hedgepeth, Dukes	1	....	2	1	5	....	4	84	125	209
Peach Tree	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunts	3	38	....	1	3	1	1	78	124	202
Pactolus	W. A. Ayers, Bethel	J. B. Little, Pactolus	3	1	....	....	....	....	....	7	12	19
Pleasant Grove	A. A. Pippin, Wakefield	J. W. Colston, Oakland	4	5	....	2	....	1	2	74	102	176
Plymouth				....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Quankie	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	J. J. Cullom, Weldon	3	....	3	....	....	....	2	29	47	76
Rock Springs	G. W. May, Wake Forest	W. D. Harriss, Louisburg	1	12	6	1	1	2	1	50	74	124
Reedy Creek	J. T. Edmonson, Littleton	B. P. Davis, Creek	2	6	6	....	7	....	1	67	85	152
Rocky Mount	M. L. Kesler, Rocky Mount	C. E. Timmons, Rocky Mount	1, 2, 3, 4	8	17	....	7	7	3	59	87	146
Red Bud	C. C. Williams, Royal	R. E. L. Lancaster, Castalia	2	....	..	1	9	11	1	56	115	171
Red Oak	J. W. Powell, Rocky Mount	R. O. Critcher, Red Oak	3	2	1	....	7	3	1	41	60	101
Roanoke Rapids	W. N. Johnson, Weldon	W. D. Tillery, Roanoke Rapids	1, 3	4	4	....	14	2	....	14	33	47
Stony Creek	J. T. Edmundson, Littleton	J. E. Coley, Rocky Mount	4	2	3	....	1	1	1	50	50	100
Scotland Neck	R. T. Vann, Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	1, 2, 3, 4	5	18	....	7	1	1	153	193	346
Samaria	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope	1	....	1	1	....	....	....	71	124	195
Spring Hope	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	Geo. W. Bunn, Spring Hope	2	24	16	....	3	....	....	39	38	77
Sulphur Springs	G. W. May, Wake Forest	D. T. Revis, Elberton	3	....	4	1	....	....	1	20	36	56
Stanhope	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	B. E. Morgan, Finch	4	....	....	....	2	....	....	20	25	45
Sandy Creek	G. M. Duke, Dukes	J. R. Collins, Oswego	3	4	....	....	1	6	4	117	144	261
Sharon	J. T. Edmondson, Littleton	P. R. Perkinson, Wise	1	8	....	....	3	1	....	68	90	158
Social Plains				....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Tillery	R. H. Herring, Enfield	J. C. Mullen, Tillery	3	....	1	....	3	....	....	19	21	40
Turkey Branch	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	W. J. Hardee, Enfield	4	3	....	....	2	1	....	12	28	40
Tarboro	Braxton Craig, Tarboro	W. J. Teachey, Tarboro	1, 2, 4	46	14	2	6	3	1	31	60	91
Warrenton	T. J. Taylor, Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	1, 3, 4	....	....	....	7	....	4	66	89	155
Wilson	W. H. Reddish, Wilson	W. W. Briggs, Wilson	1, 2, 3, 4	18	14	....	5	....	1	67	140	207
Weldon	W. N. Johnson, Weldon	W. E. Daniel, Weldon	2, 4	....	1	....	6	2	1	34	45	79
Williamston	B. K. Mason, Williamston	J. W. Anderson, Williamston	1, 3, 4	21	3	1	2	3	1	26	52	78
Warren Plains	T. J. Taylor, Warrenton	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	1, 3	....	....	1	3	....	3	51	63	114
Washington		Thos. J. Latham, Washington		1	5	1	13	1	1	29	40	69
Totals				556	241	27	227	99	76	3 040	4 514	7 667

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

To write on Obituaries,.....G. M. Duke.
State Missions,.....W. N. Johnson.
Associational Missions,.....J. D. Hufham.
Home Missions,.....Forest Smith.
Education,.....C. T. Ball.
Orphanage,.....N. Biggs.
Periodicals,.....G. G. O'Neill.
Temperance,.....T. J. Crisp.
Foreign Missions,.....M. L. Kesler.

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ORDAINED MINISTERS AND POSTOFFICES.

J. W. Rose, Bethel.
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Larkin Overby, Warren Plains.

Proceedings.

SPRING HOPE, N. C., October 16th, 1900.

The seventieth annual session of the TAR RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION met with the church in this place to-day. In the absence of the Moderator and Vice-Moderator, Bro. T. M. Arrington was called to the chair. Rev. J. D. Hufham led the Association in prayer.

Brethren J. C. Beal, Ivey Allen and C. J. Burton were appointed a Finance Committee.

The roll of churches was called and the following delegates were enrolled :

ANTIOCH—J. W. Collier, Smith J. Parker.

BETHEL—J. W. Rose.

BROWN'S—J. W. Smithwick, J. H. Twisdale, B. F. Best.

BEAR SWAMP—J. W. Harvey, Richard Collins.

BETHLEHEM—Not represented.

BATTLEBORO—G. W. Ward, T. D. Wright.

CARY'S CHAPEL—A. H. Hoyle, Charles G. Stokes.

CASTALIA—George Boone.

CONOHO—Z. M. Whitehurst.

CONOCONARA—J. P. Ellen.

CEDAR ROCK—R. R. Boone, W. A. Parish.

CORINTH—L. H. Jones, A. A. Dement, Walter Kearney.

CYPRESS CHAPEL—H. W. Wilder, E. W. Moore.

CROCKER'S CHAPEL—L. H. Overby, E. H. Crocker, Charlie Rose.

CEDAR BRANCH—J. H. Bailey.

DAWSON'S—W. E. Barkley, W. J. Partin.

ELM GROVE—R. T. Matthews, C. H. Baines, J. E. Batchelor.

ENFIELD—G. G. O'Neill.

EPHESUS—L. M. Edwards, Eli Crickman.

EAGLES—Braxton Craig.

ENTERPRISE—Not represented.

Elm City—W. D. Carter, L. D. Harper.
Fishing Creek—W. W. Rosser, Elbert Shearin.
Gardner's—J. W. Shearin, W. H. Wright.
Gethsemane—Arthur Anderson, P. H. Lane.
Greenville—Letter.
Hickory—Jacob Alford, R. H. Stallings.
Halifax—Not represented.
Hobgood—G. L. Merrill.
Hamilton—Letter.
Harris Chapel—H. S. Quarles.
Henderson—J. D. Hufham, Thos. Steward.
John's Chapel—Not represented.
Louisburg—Thos. B. Wilder, Ivey Allen, J. B. Timberlake.
Littleton—Not represented.
Middleburg—C. J. Burton.
Mount Zion—W. T. Cooper, R. J. May, W. F. Leonard.
Mildred—J. J. Crisp.
Marmaduke—S. R. Duke, ... Gooch.
Maple Springs—Not Represented.
Macon—T. M. Allen.
Mount Hebron—G. T. Shearin, E. C. Denton.
North Rocky Mount—S. N. Edwards, J. W. Powell, F. C. Furgerson.
New Bethel—W. B. Daniel, G. T. Decker.
Nashville—J. H. Smith, L. M. Conyers.
New Hope—W. H. Reddish, W. H. White, B. D. Rice.
Oak Level—T. A. Boone, C. J. Williford, J. W. Boone.
Pine Forest—J. A. Whitley.
Poplar Springs—J. H. Chears, J. C. White, L. H. Joyner.
Philadelphia—M. B. Bunting, J. N. Taylor, A. B. Freeman.
Peach Tree—J. J. Bowden, G. Rice, S. C. Edwards.
Pactolus—Not represented.
Pleasant Grove—L. A. Loyd, V. B. Matthews, J. T. Winstead.
Plymouth—Not represented.

QUANKIE—Letter.

ROCK SPRING—J. L. Chears, S. R. Perry, A. N. Strickland.

REEDY CREEK—B. R. Harriss, T. A. Harriss, Jesse A. Harriss.

ROCKY MOUNT—E. W. Shearin, T. M. Arrington, S. V. T. Chamblee.

RED BUD—T. S. Collie, Ruffin Griffin.

RED OAK—J. C. Beal.

ROANOKE RAPIDS—Not Represented.

STONY CREEK—C. F. Ellen, W. B. Harper, S. D. Marshburn.

SCOTLAND NECK—R. M. Johnson, R. E. Hancock, M. L. Kesler.

SAMARIA—A. Bryant, W. H. Haywood, D. S. Cone.

SPRING HOPE—J. J. Spivey, C. T. Ball, T. M. Wheeles.

SULPHUR SPRINGS—Eddie Short, T. C. Rives, J. A. Shepherd.

STANHOPE—G. D. Ricks, S. R. Pearce, J. H. Pitts.

SANDY CREEK—B. B. Collins, G. B. West, I. R. Collins.

SHARON—Not represented.

SOCIAL PLAINS—Not represented.

TILLERY—W. H. Randolph.

TURKEY BRANCH—L. E. Hull.

TARBORO—C. J. Austin, Braxton Craig, J. S. Farmer.

WARRENTON—Letter.

WILSON—L. Moye, B. F. Briggs, D. S. Boykin.

WELDON—Letter.

WILLIAMSTON—J. W. Anderson, B. K. Mason, G. W. Newell.

WARREN PLAINS—Allie Hawks, L. W. Overby.

WASHINGTON—J. S. Corpening, E. L. Dawson.

Roll call being completed the Association went into permanent work by electing T. M. Arrington Moderator, Thomas B. Wilder Vice-Moderator, A. G. Willcox Clerk and Treasurer, and J. D. Hufham Historian.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren on or-

der of business: J. W. Powell, T. B. Wilder and C. F. Ellen.

In the absence of the pastor of the church, Rev. J. E. Hocutt who was kept away by sickness, Rev. J. W. Powell, on part of pastor and church, extended a cordial welcome to delegates and visitors, which was responded to by Rev. J. D. Hufham.

Bro. Coppedge and deacons were appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met and was led in prayer by Rev. J. K. Howell.

New churches applying for admission were called for and the church at Macedonia asked to be admitted, and the letter with covenant and articles of faith was referred to a committee consisting of brethren Kesler, Crutchfield and Collie, with instruction to report Wednesday morning.

A letter from our former beloved Moderator, now of Virginia, was read to the Association and the Clerk was authorized to respond.

In the absence of report on order of business the report on aged ministers was read by Bro. Kesler, and referred to some hour to be named.

REPORT ON AGED MINISTERS.

Our Relief Board, whose duty it is to assist aged Baptist ministers, is located at Durham. Brother J. F. McDuffie, Rock Springs, N. C., is the Secretary.

The receipts last year amounted to $1,100, and the Board gave relief to fourteen families, or about $80 to each family. This year we have seventeen families, and to give them the same assistance we must have $1,350, or $250 more than we gave last year.

There are now three applications pending which will make twenty families to provide for during next year, and there may be others. Let us not fall behind in this work. To give assistance to our aged ministers who have given their lives to the Master should ever be present in our

minds; and our pocket books should never be closed to their necessities.

This is a noble work and should be encouraged, I urge that each church in our Association give at least one collection during the year for this great object, and that each pastor call it to the attention of his churches.

I pray you not to forget the old preacher.

THOMAS M. ARRINGTON.

Report on Sunday-schools was read by Bro. Kesler for Bro. Ayers, the chairman, and discussed by brethren Howell and Hufham, and was adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

To The Tar River Association:—

The nature of a child is a golden casket of possibilities which it is our inestimable privilege to open, polish and preserve. Aside from the teaching of the devout parents in our homes, there is no surer way to develop the spiritual instincts of children than in the Sunday-school.

There is no work connected with our Convention which can show more blessed results than the Sunday-school work. As it grows in interest every other department of our work becomes more prosperous. Thus the Sunday-school has shown itself to be both a saving power and a training power. The way to evangelize our mission territory is to let the Sunday-school become the entering wedge.

Our Lord's last command is to teach all nations. The world cannot be evangelized if we neglect the teaching of the nations.

We commend every agency which will quicken Sunday-school interest, such as Chautauquas, Institutes, Conventions and Missionary Days. We also recommend that our Union Meetings seek to make more prominent the relations which exist between our Sunday-schools and the other work of our Convention. In these and various other ways the churches should seek to emphasize the Sunday-school as the place for laying the foundations for intelligent service in the kingdom of God.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. AYERS.

Report on Foreign Missions was read by Bro. Kesler for Bro. Stradley, and thrilling speeches were made by brethren Howell, Corpening, Smith and Hufham, and the re-

port was amended by asking the churches to raise $1,000 during the next year, after which the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Foreign Missions means sending the gospel to the destitute and perishing heathen. Associational, State and Home Missions are all intended to christianize men and women at home and prepare them to send the gospel abroad. Christ's great command to his people is: "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel to every creature." We must obey the command or else prove disobedient to our Master, and leave millions of our fellow-beings to perish in their sins.

We must go ourselves if we can; if we cannot we must help to send those who can go—those whom God has specially called to this work, as Paul, Matthew T. Yates and others.

We are called to do a great work. China, Africa, Italy, India, Brazil, Japan, Mexico, are all calling for our help. If there was only one preacher in North Carolina, that would about represent the largeness of the work before the present number of our Foreign Missionaries.

We are doing a hopeful work. We can rely on God's promise, "My word shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." "Ask of me and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." "The kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ."

At the beginning of the present century there were not more than twenty Missionaries in heathen lands. Now there are more than twelve thousand. During this century about two million heathen have been converted to Christianity. During the last conventional year the Missionaries of our Southern Baptist Convention baptized 1,341 converts. This was the best year's work ever done.

The Southern Baptist Convention has agreed to enlarge her Foreign Mission work to a basis of $200,000 for this year. North Carolina is asked to raise $13,000 of this amount. We ought to do it.

We believe the hand of God is in the troubles and changes now going on in China; and we look for that vast empire soon to be opened to the spread of the gospel under more favorable conditions than ever before. Hundreds of new Missionaries will be needed in that field alone.

J. A. STRADLEY.

At this juncture Bro. Hufham led the Association in prayer for God's special blessing upon the work and to honor us by calling one of our number to this work of preaching the gospel to the heathen.

Report on Education was read by Bro. Kesler for Bro. Bagley and made special order for Wednesday 10 o'clock.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, and accepted by brethren John White, J. W. Bailey, J. B. Boone, and ..... Reams.

New pastors who have come into our body since last session were welcomed and made brief responses.

Adjourned. Prayer by Bro. White.

NIGHT SESSION.

Bro. W. H. Reddish preached the introductory sermon, text II Cor. 12:2.

Report on State Mission was read by Rev. Forest Smith and discussed by Rev. John E. White. A cash collection was taken amounting to $21.69. The roll of churches was called and the following churches promised a collection for that object before December 1st: Antioch, Bethel, Brown's, Battleboro, Cary's Chapel, Conoho, Castalia, Cedar Rock, Corinth, Cypress Chapel, Dawson's, Enfield, Ephesus, Eagle's, Elm City, Halifax, Hobgood, Harris' Chapel, Henderson, Louisburg, Middleburg, Mount Zion, Maple Springs, Macon, North Rocky Mount, New Bethel, Nashville, Mount Hebron, Oak Level, Poplar Spring, Rocky Mount, Red Bud, Stony Creek, Scotland Neck, Spring Hope, Sulphur Spring, Sandy Creek, Tillery, Tarboro, Wilson, Weldon, Williamston, Warren Plains, Washington, after which the report was adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The State Mission work in North Carolina is rich in history, rich in present achievements and rich in promise. To get the greatest inspiration for the work before us we need to go back occasionally to its fountain-head and follow its ever widening stream up to the present. But space and time in this report forbid our dwelling

upon its infant struggles or in its noble history. We are especially concerned with the present.

There are at work to-day under our State Board ninety-two regularly appointed Missionaries. Eighteen of them are working in our factory towns; fourteen are at work in the mountains; thirty-three are making themselves felt in the eastern part of the State, while the remaining twenty-seven "are at work in the newer towns and along the railroads in the Central and Piedmont sections of the State." Thus our State Mission forces are thinly scattered over the State. They are preaching the gospel, organizing Sunday-schools, holding protracted meetings, baptizing converted people, organizing churches, distributing the Biblical Recorder, religious tracts, and the Bible; they encourage the people for everything that is right and against everything that is wrong. This is the work of our State Missionaries. Now, while these ninety-two men are doing this work they are at the same time looking to us for their meat and bread and clothing. It will take every cent of twenty thousand dollars to meet the expenses of the work that our Board has planned.

This report appeals to the brethren of the churches of the Tar River Association to give their hearts and hands to the raising of this amount until the last dollar shall be paid. It is needless for this report to multiply reasons why this work should be liberally supported. Suffice it to say that it is foundation work. All mission work rests upon this home work. The State work is especially ours. We must support it if it is supported. Then God has said for us to do it. This is enough.

FOREST SMITH, Committee.

Adjourned. Prayer by Rev. M. L. Kesler.

WEDNESDAY MORNING—9:30 O'CLOCK.

Association met pursuant to adjournment and spent half hour in devotional exercises, led by Bro. L. W. Larkin. Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and adopted.

Revs. John Mitchell and W. R. Cullom were welcomed.

Special order for the hour being Education, Rev. R. T. Vann addressed the body, followed by brethren Cullom and Mitchell. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

North Carolina is at present in a transition state. She is putting on new life. Various industries are springing up here and there, and the pulse of the old Commonwealth is beating with increased rapidity.

Along with industrial development, the intellectual activities are stirred as never before; the common schools are improving, secondary schoools are springing up and flourishing, our colleges are full as never before.

With this increasing tide of progress, it is comforting and inspiring to be conscious that our denomination is abreast if not leading in educational forces. Wake Forest with 300 students is yearly sending forth nearly half a hundred men well equipped for the various pursuits of life. A large per cent. of these are entering the calling for which the institution was originally established—the ministry. Upon the last named class, called of God to preach His unsearchable riches, mainly rests the increase and elevation of our Zion.

The Baptist Female University, only a year old (with her home-made president), is outstripping nearly all her older sisters of the State. Her numbers seem to be limited only by the lack of capacity in her increasing number of buildings.

These two institutions belong to our denomination in the State at large and should receive our fostering care, our sympathy and support.

There are in several Associations of the State other schools of a denominational character. These are secondary grade and designed to prepare for college and the practical duties of life. Many of these have been very successful. They foster the educational spirit at home, thus helping our higher institutions.

Has the time come for the Tar River Association to establish such a school within her borders?

L. W. Bagley.

The roll of churches was called and pledges taken for Education:

Bear Swamp,	$ 2.00	Nashville,	$ 2.00
Bethlehem,	1.00	Poplar Springs,	5.00
Battleboro,	5.00	Philadelphia,	5.00
Conoho,	1.00	Peach Tree,	5.00
Cedar Rock,	5.00	Pleasant Grove,	2.50

Dawson's,	$ 2.50	Quankie,	$ 2.50
Enfield,	5.00	Reedy Creek,	2.00
Ephesus,	1.00	Rocky Mount,	7.00
Eagle's,	2.00	Red Bud,	2.50
Elm City,	2.50	Red Oak,	2.50
Fishing Creek,	3.00	Stony Creek,	2.50
Gardner's,	5.00	Scotland Neck,	50.00
Gethsemane,	2.00	Samaria,	2.00
Hickory,	5.00	Spring Hope,	2.50
Hobgood,	5.00	Sandy Creek,	2.50
Harris Chapel,	2.00	Tillery,	5.00
Henderson,	25.00	Turkey Branch,	1.00
Louisburg,	15.00	Tarboro,	5.00
Middleburg,	2.50	Wilson,	10.00
Mount Zion,	2.50	Williamston,	5.00
Mildred,	2.00	Warren Plains,	3.00
Marmaduke,	1.00	Washington,	5.00
Macon,	2.00	B. B. Collins,	1.00
North Rocky Mount,	2.50		
New Bethel,	2.50	Total,	$229.50

After which the report was adopted.

Report on Associational Missions next claimed the attention of the body. Report was read for Bro. Hocutt by Bro. Kesler, and after report of Treasurer was read, which was referred to Bro. C. J. Austin to audit, and stirring speeches by brethren Craig, Kesler, Duke and Hufham, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

The Master bids us occupy till He comes. "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and stretch forth the curtain of thy habitation; spare not, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes. The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them, and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as a rose." "The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad."

During this year the following brethren have been laboring under the direction of your executive committee: W. N. Johnson, G. W. Coppedge, A. G. Willcox, J. W.

Powell, M. L. Kesler (labored part of the year on the field at Rocky Mount), B. Craig, B. K. Mason, W. A. Ayers, J. H. Farmer, T. S. Crutchfield, J. S. Corpening, and G. L. Merrill.

After communicating with these brethren we conclude that this has been the best year in our history. The fields have been ripening through these years, and in all parts of the territory they are white unto harvest. We are called on to do more than ever in prayer and giving.

About one quarter of a century ago the leaders of this work felt called of God to enter the field and give to all the truth as we hold it. In our desire to do this work it might have seemed to some that we would have to neglect more than we ought the other work of the denomination, but this work has quickened us towards giving to Home and Foreign Missions.

My heart's desire and prayer to God is that we may not go back in our pledges. One year ago at Warren Plains this Association put on new life in regard to this work and reached a high mark, $2,500. To go back in our efforts would be sad. We think that we are on the eve of returning prosperity. The way to prepare for and receive it is to be faithful to the Lord with our means and our lives.

J. E. Hocutt.

Roll of churches was called and the amounts below pledged by churches and individuals for Associational Missions:

Scotland Neck,	$215.00	Ladies Middleburg ch	6.00
Louisburg,	100.00	R. E. Hancock,	5.00
Henderson	100.00	G. W. Ward,	5.00
Warrenton,	50.00	L. S. Thompson,	5.00
Rocky Mount,	52.50	E. L. Dawson,	5.00
Poplar Springs,	35.00	J. W. Rose,	5.00
Washington,	50.00	W. M. S., Poplar Spgs	5.00
Williamston,	35.00	Mrs. S. B. Whitaker	5.00
Weldon,	35.00	W. B. Daniel, paid	5.00
Maple Springs,	30.00	Mrs. S. B. Whitaker,	5.00
Philadelphia,	30.00	L. M. S., Maple Sp'gs.	5.00
Corinth,	25.00	G. T. Dickie,	5.00
Dawsons	25.00	C. J. Burton,	5.00
Gardner's,	25.00	Sunbeams, Tarboro	5.00
Sharon,	25.00	Sunbeams, Wilson ch	5.00
Stony Creek,	30.00	R. A. P. Cooly,	5.00
Red Oak,	25.00	Andrew Gardner,	5.00

Brown's,	25.00	J. D. Hufham, paid...	5.00
F. C. Furgerson,	25.00	Washington S. S.,	5.00
Wilson,	30.00	T. B. Stewart,	5.00
New Bethel,	20.00	Miss Z. A. Eagles,	5.00
North Rocky Mount..	20.00	John Sledge,	5.00
Reedy Creek,	20.00	Sunbeams, Poplar S.,	5.00
Enfield,	20.00	L. M. S., Williamston	5.00
Tillery,	20.00	Mrs. Geo. Dickie,	5.00
Peach Tree,	20.00	Mrs. W. B. Daniel,	5.00
Tarboro,	25.00	Mrs. F. C. Furgerson,	5.00
Elm City,	17.50	Macedonia,	5.00
Macon,	16.00	Elm Grove,	5.00
Bethel,	15.00	W. M. S., Henderson,	5.00
Bear Swamp,	15.00	J. P. Ellen,	3.00
Conoconara,	15.00	Cash, paid,	3.00
Cedar Rock,	15.00	Samaria,	3.00
Ephesus,	15.00	G. W. Coppedge,	2.50
Gethsemane,	15.00	L. M. Edwards,	2.50
Hickory,	15.00	Mrs. W. J. Bartholomew,	2.50
Harriss Chapel,	15.00	S. E. Hendricks,	2.50
Middleburg,	15.00	W. V. Bunting,	2.50
Warren Plains,	15.00	W. W. Rosser,	2.50
Hobgood,	15.00	W. D. Harper,	2.00
Battleboro,	12.50	Ladies Peach Tree ch	4.00
Mount Zion,	12.50	L. A. Loyd,	2.50
Pleasant Grove,	12.50	Mrs. Octavia Cone,	2.50
Red Bud,	12.50	W. M. Warren,	2.00
Castalia,	10.00	Gardner's Miss. So.,	2.00
Eagles,	10.00	B. B. Collins,	2.00
Enterprise,	10.00	Elm City S. S.,	2.00
Fishing Creek,	12.00	Nashville S. S.,	2.00
Hamilton,	10.00	Cedar Rock S. S.,	2.00
Mildred,	10.00	Mrs. John Uzzle,	2.00
Nashville,	10.00	New Bethel S. S.,	2.00
Everetts,	10.00	L. M. S., Sandy Creek	2.00
C. J. Austin, paid,	10.00	T. A. Boone, paid,	2.00
R. T. Vann,	10.00	Jacob Lamb, paid,	2.00
F. C. Furgerson, paid	10.00	Bro. Hobgood, paid,	1.00
Quankie,	10.00	A. Anderson, paid,	1.00
Rock Springs,	10.00	Page Lamb, paid,	.50
Samaria,	10.00	J. W. White, paid,	1.00
Spring Hope,	10.00	Mt. Hebron Sunbeams	1.00
Sandy Creek,	11.00	W. J. Wilder,	1.00
Ladies of Enfield ch.,	10.00	Bro. Bass, paid,	1.00
E. W. Shearin,	10.00		

G. M. Duke,	$ 10.00	W. B. Bunting, paid,	$ 1.00
A. G. Willcox,	10.00	W. W. Rosser, paid,	1.00
J. D. Hufham,	10.00	Cypress S. S.,	1.00
Cary's Chapel,	8.00	E. W. Moore,	1.00
Oak Level,	8.00	D. W. Gardner, paid,	1.00
Stanhope,	8.00	T. B. Deans,	1.00
Antioch,	5.00	Mrs. Lola Jackson, p'd	1.00
Bethlehem,	5.00	Bennie Alford	1.00
Cypress Chapel,	5.00	Cash, paid,	1.00
Crocker's Chapel,	5.00	S. A. Hunt,	1.00
Halifax,	6.00	Cash,	1.00
Marmaduke,	5.00	Mrs. T. L. Green,	1.00
Mount Hebron,	5.00	A. R. Gupton,	1.00
Sulphur Springs	5.00	Thos. Stewart, paid,	1.00
Social Plains,	5.00	T. A. Bone,	.50
Turkey Branch,	5.00	Cash, paid,	.25
W. H. Reddish,	5.00	Jacob Jamb, paid,	.50
G. W. May,	5.00	Additional Cash,	19.00
W. E. Barkley,	5.00	Ladies Maple Springs	5.00
W. N. Johnson,	5.00	Stony Creek,	2.00
S. R. Duke,	5.00		
		Total,	$1,925.75

Report of Woman's Missionary, Society Poplar Springs, since last Association :

State Missions,	$ 6.75	
Home Missions,	4.00	
Foreign Missions,	6.00	
Am't to Home Missionary,	18.50	$35.25

Report of Woman's Missionary Society, Middleburg church:

Foreign Missions,	$ 2.50	
Home Missions,	3.46	$ 5.96

Report of Woman's Missionary Society, Maple Springs:

Money raised and paid out,	$10.00	
Balance in treasury,	1.90	$11.90

Report of Woman's Missionary Society, Littleton church:

Associational Missions,	$ 5.00	$ 5.00
Am't carried forward,	$58.11	$58.11

Am't brought forward,.....	$58.11	$58.11
Report of Woman's Missionary Society, Gardner's church:		
State Missions,.....	$ 1.50	
Home Missions,.....	3.80	
Foreign Missions,.....	5.95	
Associational Missions,.....	3.00	$14.25
Report of Woman's Missionary Society, Warren Plains:		
Associational Missions,.....	$10.00	$10.00
Total,.....	$82.36	$82.36

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The hour for special order having arrived the Report on Periodicals was read by Rev. G. L. Merrill, which was ably discussed by Bro. J. W. Bailey and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The Bible teaches us our duty toward God and our fellow man in all phases and conditions in life; but the Word says, "Many shall run to and fro and knowledge shall be increased." So by exchange of thought through our periodicals we may even know more about the Bible.

And the Bible does not tell us who the people are, where found, and under what circumstances they exist, to whom God would have us apply the beneficence enjoined upon us in the Bible. To know our obligations to our fellowman we must know him and his needs. In order to perform our duty to him we must know where to find him. These things we can find out through our papers.

The Biblical Recorder still holds its place as the organ of the Baptists of North Carolina, and stands as a safeguard against error, with a bold front for the truth. Every person in North Carolina who can ought to read the Recorder, especially every Baptist.

Charity and Children, our orphanage paper, is as sound as any paper printed in North Carolina, and speaks in terms of charity for our orphan children. We recommend that individuals subscribe; and that Sunday-schools take the paper in clubs of ten or more copies to one address.

Our Southern Baptist Convention Series of Sunday-school literature, in our opinion, is equal to the best, and commends itself as belonging to us; and in turning all its

profits into our Sunday-schools and missionary work. Order your literature through our Baptist Book Store, Raleigh, N. C.

The Foreign Mission Journal and Our Home Field will keep you well informed as to our Home and Foreign Mission work, both as to fields and missionaries.

The Baptist Historical Papers are of great value in correcting and preserving our denominational history, and ought to receive our hearty support.

The North Carolina Baptist is an excellent paper, and is in harmony with our entire work, and an educator in the homes where it is read.

Respectfully submitted,
G. L. MERRELL, Committee.

Committee on time and place and preacher for next session reported as follows: Enfield, Tuesday after Second Sunday in October, 1901. The report was amended by substituting Corinth as the place and Tuesday after First Sunday in October, 1901, as time. Rev. B. Craig was chosen to preach the introductory sermon, and Rev. W. N. Johnson, as alternate.

Committee on digest of church letters was appointed consisting of brethren Forest Smith, Chamblee and Farmer.

Standing committees were appointed. (See same on second page.)

Committee to examine church covenant, articles of faith, etc., of the church at Macedonia reported favorably, and the church was received and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to delegates. Adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

Association was led in prayer by Brother Corpening.

Brother Rich, representing The North Carolina Baptist, was welcomed to a seat.

Report on the Orphonage was read by Brother Ball for the committee. Report was discussed by brethren Boone and Vann and a collection amounting to $40 was taken and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

No lengthy report is needed on the Baptist Orphanage located at Thomasville, but only that the attention of the Association be called to it. No department of our work lies nearer the lives and hearts of the Baptists of North Carolina. The promptness and liberality of our people in supplying the needs of this institution in the past is a guarantee that it shall have our prayers and liberal support in the future.

But the Orphanage has present needs. Ther are now at the home one hundred and ninety (190) children. To provide for those already there and to meet the growing demands of that institution upon us, our churches, Sunday-schools and individuals must give systematically. Spasmodic giving will not suffice. The needs of our Orphanage are daily needs, and as we pray the Father: "Give us this day our daily bread," so should we supply the wants of those orphan children.

One point should receive special attention; that is, in addition to meeting the current expenses one great effort now should be to increase the capacity of the Orphanage. Until this is done many orphans in our State who should enter the home must be denied this privilege.

In the name of Christ let us go forward with our hearts and hands to this glorious work.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. T. BALL, for Committee.

The Report on Aged Ministers was called up, and it was urged that a collection be taken about Christmas for that object, and the report was adopted.

Report on Obituaries was read by Brother Mason and adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

At Dawson's there have been three deaths: Bro. Carey Barnes in December; Bro. Charles Simmons in January, and Sister Laura Kimball also in January. Theirs were noble lives and Christian characters.

Sister Bettie Norman, of Spring Hope, died August 22, 1900. She was a consistent Christian and very much devoted to her church.

Brother Armistead King, a deacon of Sharon Baptist church, was born July 15, 1825, and entered into rest June

5, 1900. He was a good citizen, a faithful friend, a kind neighbor, a devoted husband, a loving father, and a sincere Christian.

Brother Wm. Tyson, of Tarboro, died May 7, 1900. He joined the church May 14, 1899. He was a member not quite a year, but during that time he was faithful in the Master's service.

Three members of Reedy Creek church have died this year: Sister Mary Moore, who for 15 years had been actively engaged in the Lord's work, and loved for her sweet Christian life. Sister Mollie Clark died in September, having spent twenty years serving the Lord. The testimony of those who knew her is: "She was a good member."

Sister Eula Riggan died August 7. She was very useful in her church, and hers was a life of love and good works.

Brother Robert Hester, of Rocky Mount, was shot by two negro assassins the day before Xmas, and died a few days after. He was for a number of years a member of the church, and was always interested in its work.

In the early part of this year, Brother J. D. Askew, one of the oldest members of the Scotland Neck Baptist church, entered into the rest of the people of God.

Sister Lillie Staten, of Scotland Neck, died the last of April. She was a bright Christian.

Sister Minnie Taylor, of Scotland Neck, was born June 24, 1867, and died August 30, 1900. She was a consistent member of the Baptist church, and her Christian character and example were a blessing to her own family and the community in which she lived. In all her broad acquaintance there was no one to say aught against her. She was greatly beloved by all who knew her. She was a faithful wife, fond mother and consecrated Christian.

Dr. W. O. McDowell, of Scotland Neck, made a confession of faith in a meeting conducted by Mr. Earle in the First Baptist church in Raleigh in 1870, and while he was a student at Wake Forest. For a few years in his young manhood he felt that his confession had been a blunder and that his life was unworthy, and so had his church to withdraw fellowship from him. But some twenty years ago, under the ministry of Dr. Hufham, he renewed his faith and hope. From that day his life was devoted to his Lord. His church had no more faithful deacon, nor had his pastor a more sympathetic fellow-helper. His

convictions were decided and profound. His piety commanded universal respect. He had no doubt of the goodness of Providence nor of his future state. One who was with him at the last says it was good to be there. His death was triumphant. Dr. McDowell was born October 11, 1857, and fell asleep August 15, 1900.

Warrenton church has lost by death brethren L. B. Pearce, A. M. Miles, and sister Amelia Reynolds. These lived and walked by faith in Christ, and have doubtless entered into glory.

Warren Plains church mourns the death of their beloved sister, Mrs. Christina Serls. She was a good woman and we believe she is with the Lord.

Brother Geo. A. Branch, senior deacon of the church at Quankie, died in May last. He was a man of God, greatly honored and beloved, in the church and out of it. A sad loss to his church and community, but he rests from his labors.

Sister Susan King and sister Thophalee Cobb, members at Quankie, have died since our last session. Each of these sisters was eminent for her Christian virtues and godliness.

At Harriss Chapel we are greatly bereaved in the death of brother E. H. Qualls and sister Betsy Lee. Brother Qualls was eminently successful as a business man, and was growing daily in the love and confidence of his brethren. He "fell on sleep" in November last. In May last sister Betsy Lee departed this life. We all feel that our loss is her eternal gain.

At Conoconara in May sister Lillian Ellen died. She was beautiful in person and more beautiful in her Christian character, and was loved by all who knew her.

Sister Mattie Currie, of same church, died in September. She loved her church and died in the faith of the gospel.

At Bear Swamp our aged and venerable brother, Steven A. Harvey, died in June. He was an old soldier of the cross, but has laid his armor down to be with the Captain of his salvation.

Brother Mont. Roberson, of same church, died in July. He was a modest, quiet, humble Christian and died in the faith.

Sister Susie Chichester, of the same church, died in

September. She was possessed of a meek and quiet spirit, and in a large degree held those virtues that made her greatly beloved by all.

Respectfully submitted,
B. K. MASON, Committee.

The names of Mrs. Lou G. Macon and Mr. Henry Foote, members of Warrenton church, were sent to the printer after the report was sent in, as having died during the past year.

Report on Temperance was read by Bro. Bailey for the committee and without discussion was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The scriptures teach "moderation in all things." Especially is this necessary when the habits and appetites of the lower nature of man are involved. And a proper love for our fellow-man imbued with the right conception of our relation to our government chains us down to the obligation to bring about as nearly as possible those conditions, civil and social, which relieve men of the dangers of forming the drink habit.

The party lash in North Carolina can no longer whip independent citizens into any particular line of thinking and acting. They are free to think for themselves and to vote their convictions. If the condition has ever existed in which it was necessary for Christians at the polls to smother their sentiments on temperance that state of affairs we hope is forever gone. He is a poor freeman that allows party-shackles to cord his conscience more tightly than church ties, and a poorer Christian. Let each man who has serious feelings in this matter use his ballot to inject them into the legislation of his State.

We think that all strong drink should be let alone as a beverage.

G. W. COPPEDGE, Committee.

Treasurer offered his report which was referred to Bro. C. J. Austin, who reported as follows:

I have examined the account of Bro. Biggs, treasurer of executive committee, and A. G. Willcox, treasurer of Association, and report them all correct.

C. J. AUSTIN, Auditor.

REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

TAR RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

In account with N. BIGGS, Treasurer,

1899			
Nov. 1.	To balance due me		$ 19.56
1900			
Nov. 1.	" Cash J. E. Hutson		70.00
	" " J. W. Powell		75.00
	" " W. N. Johnson		100.00
	" " M. L. Kesler		87.50
	" " A. G. Willcox		40.00
	" " G. W. Coppedge		25.00
	" " A. Cree		40.00
	" " T. S. Crutchfield		112.50
	" " G. B. Webster		16.66
	" " J. T. Edmondson		10.00
	" " J. S. Corpening		200.00
	" " G. L. Merrell		150.00
	" " B. Craig		150.00
	" " J. S. Farmer		150.00
	" " G. G. O'Neal		41.67
	" " B. K. Mason		70.00
	" " W. A. Ayers		35.20
			$1,393.09

1900	CR.		
Nov. 1.	By am't from Association		$1,252.28
	To balance due me this date		140.81
		$1,393.09	$1,393.09
1900			
Nov. 1.	To amount due me this day		$140.81

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION

In account with A. G. WILLCOX, DR.

Oct. 5, 1900.	RECEIPTS.	
To bal. due Association at last session		$ 2.39
Rec'd from Finance Committee		
	For State Missions	17.40
	For Foreign Missions	33.26
Amount carried forward		$53.05

Amount brought forward	$ 53.05	
Received from Finance Committee		
For Home Missions	13.47	
For Aged Ministers	16.80	
For Orphanage	29.92	
For Education	49.96	
For Minute Fund	67.00	
Cash collection		
For Associational Mis.	68.00	
For Foreign Missions	20.36	
For Orphanage	11.89	
For Record Book	5.63	
Cedar Branch Church for Minutes	1.00	
	$337.08	

Oct. 5, 1900. CONTRA.

By amount paid J. D. Boushall		
For State Missions		$ 17.40
For Foreign Missions		33.26
For Home Missions		13.47
For Aged Ministers		16.80
For Orphanage		29.92
For Education		49.96
P'd N. Biggs, cash col. Asso. Missions		68.00
J. B. Boone, cash col. Orphanage		11.89
J. D. Boushall, cash col. For. Mis'ns		20.36
Stationary, mailing manuscript, etc.		.50
Clerk's fee		25.00
E. E. Hilliard, printing and mailing minutes		43.00
Edwards & Broughton, Record Book		4.50
Express on same		.35
T. R. Walker, 400 blank ch. letters		2.00
Mailing same to clerks		1.07
		$337.48
Amount to balance	.40	
	$337.48	$337.48
To balance due Treasurer	.40	

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX, Treas.

It was ordered that the Articles of Faith of the Tar River Association for 1833 be printed in the minutes.

It was moved that the Clerk have usual number of minutes printed and receive the usual compensation for his services.

Delegates appointed to Baptist State Convention: J. D. Hufham, G. M. Duke, T. J. Taylor. To Southern Baptist Convention: T. B. Wilder with M. L. Kesler, alternate.

Adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING—9:30 O'CLOCK.

Association met and was led in prayer by Bro. Smith.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

A cash collection for Associational Missions, amounting to $19, was taken, and Ladies' Missionary Society of Maple Springs pledged $5 and Stony Creek $2 for same object.

The following resolution by Bro. Smith passed heartily and unanimously:

Resolved, That the members of Tar River Association return very hearty thanks to the Spring Hope Baptist church and the good citizens of Spring Hope for their splendid entertainment of the Association. Also that we express our thanks to the members of the Methodist church of Spring Hope for the use of their church and for other kindness shown.

Report on Home Missions was read by Bro. Johnson, and was followed by a most forceful and interesting address by Bro. J. W. Bailey and adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Baptist Courier states that the population of the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention increases half a million every year. The Convention Annual shows that the total increase among Baptists for last year was 94,222. So you can see from this, if Baptist energy had been taken from the settled population of the South and directed entirely toward the incoming population, we should have reached only one out of every five of the new inhabitants.

There is no doubt that the United States is hastening into the largest and most permanent place in world affairs, and there is even less doubt that the South is fast coming to her full share in the thought and life of the United States. And when we take in our mind the fact that the Baptists are the nearest of all people to the Bible, and that Southern Baptists, as a rule, are the most conservative Baptists in the world, how can we fail to see how Home Missions stand related to the evangelization of the entire human race?

SOME PHASES OF THIS WORK.

THE CITY.—One of the marked tendencies of our times is citywardness. Families go from country to town in the hope of finding easier living, or for the sake of gratifying their desire to be with as many of their fellow-beings as possible, or to educate the children. Young men and women make the change in order to have a better chance to reach fame, win wealth, or enjoy wider social advantages. This drift of things, more observable till now in other sections of our country than our own, is soon to be painfully felt in the South. The city is the stopping place of the foreigner, the fountain-head of vice and crime, the arena for the contrast between luxury and poverty, and the battle-field between capital and labor. The city, let alone, becomes a festering sore on our national body; permeated with Christian light and truth, it is a centre of intelligence and morality, the salt-cellar of the nation. We must let God use us in making the power of the gospel felt in our large centres of trade and population.

THE MOUNTAIN REGION is another place where we must put our purses and prayers. It comprises one-fourth of our territory, 750 miles long, 250 miles wide, twice the size of England or Cuba. Its soil untilled, its mines undug. The commercial activities of surrounding country are continually pricking it on the edges. It shall soon awake to the calls of the outside world. It has the purest Anglo-Saxon blood that flows outside of the walls of London. It is already crowded with churches. Its crying need is not evangelization but development, and the means of doing this are a missionary's pulpit and the teacher's desk. Let us not pause till this hidden industrial and moral force is active in the right direction and a part of our own national life. We cannot afford not to give our fullest encouragement to the Home Mission Board in this phase of its work.

THE FRONTIER is a strip of country 1,000 miles long and 500 miles wide, roughly speaking, in the western and south-western portions of our territory. Our own sons and sisters and brothers and daughters are there. This section is undeveloped. Cities spring up like mush-rooms. Oklahoma, for instance, grew in ten years from a desolate, lonely prairie called "No Man's Land" to a city of fifteen or twenty thousand people. See what work of this kind grows to! One illustration: Dallas, Texas, twenty-seven years ago was a muddy-streeted village with a little Baptist band worshipping in a hull of boards by the help of the Home Board. Now, Dallas has 60,000 thronging her streets. That little band is a church and the mother of churches in the city and worships in one of the finest buildings in all our Southland and gave $2,500 for missions last year. Praise God for so many examples of such work and growth!

THE NEGRO is among us. He numbers 8,000,000 or more. We owe him our Christian love, and it is unsafe for us not to give it. He is coming fast to appreciate our friendship and help. In the political revolutions that are turning in his favor in the South, we hold a strategic point—our help will show him the white man's friendship—to keep down racial distrust and foster peace.

CUBA belongs to us by a providence that we can't understand. Shall we have our part in her glorious reaction against Rome? We must not fail. Let's tell the Board that we shall stand behind the efforts there to exalt Christ.

Our churches are undeveloped for this work. We shall hope and pray and toil that the Co-operation Board may do something to arouse us to our opportunity. It is a long fight ahead, and we need permanent growth and strength in our ranks. W. N. JOHNSON, Com.

Finance Committee reported as follows:

We, your committee, beg to report that we have received for Associational Missions, $1,393.03; State Missions, $9.03; Foreign Missions, $60.77; Home Missions, $2.95; Education, $47.88; Orphanage, $30.90; Aged Ministers, $10.73; Minutes, $77.01. Respectfully submitted,

IVEY ALLEN, for Committee.

Brother May made statement with reference to the debt on one of his churches and asked for $50, which was raised in cash and pledges at once.

It was moved and carried that Dr. Hufham be authorized to publish a history of the Tar River Association.

"Blest be the tie that binds" was sung and the parting hand was taken. The Moderator declared the Association adjourned to meet at Corinth, in Franklin county, on Tuesday after the First Sunday in October, 1901.

T. M. ARRINGTON, Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX, Clerk and Treasurer.

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

Comparing the work of 1899 with that of 1900.

EIGHTY CHURCHES.	Members. 1899	Members. 1900	Increase.	Decrease.	Receipts. 1899.	Receipts. 1900.	Increase.	Decrease.
Antioch		42			no report	$ 55.00		
Bear Swamp	172	172			139.93	195.97	56.94	
Battleboro	53	68	15		72.33	406.75	334.42	
Brown'	129	136	7		200.38	246.76	46.38	
Bethlehem	42				88.60	no report		
Bethel	54	62	8		1,012.27	222.27		790.00
Cedar Rock	172	186	14		140.65	161.50	20.85	
Ceder Branch		130			no report	240.35		
Castalia	90	103	13		170.55	101.92		68.63
Conoho	20	28	8		1.65	175.48	173.83	
Corinth	136	145	9		173.25	270.25	103.00	
Crocker's Chapel	48	23		25	37.54	8.96		28.38
Cypress Chapel	64	84	20		95.00	97.50	2.50	
Conoconara	43	50	7		191.89	123.34		68.55
Cary's Chapel	38	41	3		48.21	81.50	33.29	
Dawson	143	144	1		184.77	159.09		25.68
Elm City	77	86	9		170.50	160.45		10.05
Enfield	53	56	3		247.47	319.50	72.03	
Enterprise	123				111.00	no report		
Elm Grove	125	120		5	56.32	57.03	.71	
Ephesus	109	118	9		103.39	34.12		69.27
Eagle's	34	29		5	158.96	198.80	39 84	
Fishing Creek	57	61	4		65.75	89.03	23.28	
Greenville		118			no report	1,250.65		
Gardner's	145	141		4	219.75	257.03	37.28	
Gethsemane		48			no report	86.61		
Halifax	16	12		4	40.90	47.00	6.10	
Hickory	139	99		40	136.00	150.19	14.19	
Hobgood	40	49	9		137.06	182.18	45.12	
Harriss' Chapel	99	101	2		110.20	130.28	20.08	
Hamilton	40				96.59	no report		
Henderson					no report	no report		
John's Chapel	56	61	5		44.75	56.75	12.00	
Littleton	90				441.00	no report		
Louisburg	176	210	34		1,670.00	5,196.23	3,526.23	
Macon	40	38		2	126.21	84.14		42.07
Macedonia					not a member.			
Mermaduke	40	45	5		57.50	100.35	42.85	
Maple Springs	161	191	30		205.75	211.47	5.72	
Mount Hebron	152	153	1		51.00	56.25	5.25	
Mount Zion	166	174	8		401.00	158.30		242.70
Midleburg	41	55	14		186.75	197.82	11.07	
Mildred	46	44		2	122.75	150.94	28.19	
North Rocky Mount	55	77	22		132.50	255.02	122.52	
New Bethel	225	240	15		364.99	337.95		27.04
New Hope	45	34		11	42.50	34.00		8.50
Nashville	51	48		3	121.65	160.60	38.95	
Oak Level	50	54	4		48.75	99.50	50.75	
Pactolus	19				79.10	no report		
Peach Tree	202	190		12	156.47	171.60	15.13	
Plymouth					no report	no report		
Philadelphia	209	258	49		103.10	196.86	93.76	
Poplar Springs	360	400	40		238.40	322.25	83.85	
Pleassnt Grove	176	177	1		119.78	135.88	16.10	
Pine Forest	66	36		30	77.00	82.52	5.52	
Quankie	76	74		2	68.00	80.75	12.75	
Rock Springs	124	120		4	123.25	132.36	9.11	
Red Oak	101	110	9		180.10	266.79	86.69	
Rocky Mount	146	158	12		1,220.67	1,171.83		48.84
Roanoke Rapids	47				226.22	no report		

DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS—(Continued.)

Comparing the work of 1899 with that of 1900.

EIGHTY CHURCHES.	Members. 1899	Members. 1900	Increase.	Decrease.	Receipts. 1899	Receipts. 1900	Increase.	Decrease.
Reedy Creek	152	170	18	....	$ 97.83	$ 104.95	$ 67.12	$.....
Red Bub	171	193	22	..	95.00	112.50	17.50	.....
Stony Creek	100	128	28	....	282.00	395.50	111.50	.....
Sharon	158	165	7	....	225.00	275.50	50.50	.....
Samaria	195	223	28	....	113.00	109.95	.....	3.05
Sandy Creek	261	211	....	50	10.21	16.20	5.99	.....
Scotland Neck	346	358	12	....	2,474.50	4,274.94	1,800.44	.....
Sulphur Springs	55	57	1	....	70.75	77.70	7.05	.....
Spring Hope	77	87	10	....	165.00	257.85	94.85	.....
Stanhope	45	44	....	1	70.00	50.75	.....	39.25
Social Plains	.....	50	....	....	no report	49.11	.....	.....
Tillery	40	40	....	....	187.44	206.37	18.93	.....
Tarboro	91	144	53	....	407.50	750.75	343.25	.....
Turkey Branch	40	40	....	....	79.96	108.64	43.68	.....
Williamston	78	89	11	....	625.62	686.66	61.04	.....
Warren Plains	114	121	7	....	185.96	280.43	94.47	.....
Wilson	207	195	....	12	1,213.37	2,347.29	1,133.92	.....
Washington	69	90	21	....	599.10	930.00	330.90	.....
Warrenton	166	159	....	7	1,176.32	2,691.57	1,515.25	.....
Weldon	79	91	12	....	596.17	620.65	24.48	.....
Totals	7,626	8,054	620	219	$19,470.63	$29,559.64	$10,921.21	$1,472.01

Of the sixty-six churches that made report, both last year and this, three reported the same number of members each year.

Forty-five show an increase in membership of..... 620
Eighteen show a decrease in membership of..... 219

Net increase..... 401

Fifty-two show an increase in receipts of.....$10,921.21
Fourteen show a decrease in receipts of..... 1,472.01

Net increase.....$ 9,449.20

FOREST SMITH,
S. V. T. CHAMBLEE,
J. S. FARMER,
} Committee.

PLEDGES—Churches.

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Miss'ns.	Foreign Mis'ns.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Total
Antioch	4.50							.50	5.00
Bethel	14.00								14.00
Brown's	30.00				5.00			1.50	36.50
Bear Swamp	9.89					3.21		1.00	14.10
Bethlehem								.40	.40
Battleboro	10.00		.25		2.50	1.00		1.00	14.75
Cary's Chapel	8.00				1.00	1.50	2.00	.60	13.10
Castalia	10.00				2.00			1.50	13.50
Conoho	2.00							.50	2.50
Conoconara	15.00	1.08			2.00	1.00	.91	1.00	20.99
Cedar Rock	15.00							1.50	16.50
Corinth	25.00							1.25	26.25
Cypress Chapel	5.00							1.00	6.00
Crocker's Chapel	5.00							.50	5.50
Cedar Branch	5.00							1.25	6.25
Dawson	25.00							1.00	26.00
Elm Grove	5.00				1.53			1.25	7.78
Enfield	15.25							1.00	16.25
Ephesus	15.00			1.40	.90	3.00	1.15	1.85	23.25
Eagle's	10.00						2.00	.50	12.50
Enterprise	15.00							.50	15.00
Elm City	15.00							1.00	16.00
Everett	5.00							.50	5.50
Fishing Creek	12.23				2.00			.65	14.88
Gardner's	25.00				5.00			1.45	31.45
Gethsemane	15.00	2.95	2.90		1.80	5.65		.75	29.05
Greenville									
Hickory	20.00							1.00	21.00
Halifax	5.00								5.00
Hobgood	13.44		1.45	1.55	4.65		3.48	.75	25.32
Hamilton	10.00								10.00
Harriss' Chapel	15.00		2.00			1.86		.70	19.56
Henderson									
John's Chapel	2.50					.50		.60	3.60
Louisburg	110.00							2.25	112.25
Littleton									
Middleburg	15.00	5.00	2.25					1.00	23.25
Mount Zion	12.50				2.50	1.00		1.00	17.00
Mildred	10.00							.50	10.50
Macedonia	3.50					1.27		.50	5.25
Marmaduke	5.00				1.00	2.00		.50	8.50
Maple Springs	25.00							1.60	26.60
Macon	15.00				2.00			.75	17.75
Mount Hebron								1.25	1.25
North Rocky Mount	10.00							1.00	11.00
New Bethel	20.00		50.00					1.60	71.60
Nashville	10.00							.70	10.70
New Hope	2.50								2.50
Oak Level	7.50							1.00	8.50
Poplar Springs	35.00				5.00			2.00	42.00
Philadelphia	30.00				2.31			2.00	34.31
Peach Tree	9.60				1.00			1.40	12.00
Pactolus									
Pleasant Grove	20.00							1.50	21.50
Plymouth									
Quankie	5.00							.50	5.50
Rock Springs	10.00							1.00	11.00
Reedy Creek	20.00							2.00	22.00
Rocky Mount	62.00							2.26	64.26
Red Bud	10.00		1.00		2.50			1.40	14.90
Red Oak	25.00				2.50			1.50	29.00
Roanoke Rapids									
Stony Creek								1.50	1.50

PLEDGES—CHURCHES.—(Continued.)

CHURCHES.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers.	Minutes.	Totals.
Scotland Neck	200.00							3.00	203.00
Samaria	10.00							1.50	11.50
Spring Hope	8.50					4.25		1.25	14.00
Sulphur Springs	5.00							.75	5.75
Stanhope	6.00							.75	6.75
Sandy Creek	10.00					1.35		1.15	12.50
Sharon	25.00							1.00	26.00
Social Plains	5.00		.92			1.00	1.19	.60	8.71
Tillery	15.00								15.00
Turkey Branch	5.00				1.00			.25	6.25
Tarboro	15.00							1.50	16.50
Warrenton	60.00							2 25	62.25
Wilson	17.00							2.00	19.00
Weldon	35.00							1.25	36.25
Williamston	25.00				2.00			1.25	28.25
Warren Plains	15.00							1.25	16.25
Washington	45.12							1.50	46.62
A. C. Griffin	5.00								5.00
A. G. Willcox	10.00								10.00
C. C. Williams	5.00								5.00
R. B. Gilliam	1.00								1.00
W. M. S., Poplar Springs	5.00								5.00
W. E. Bowers	25.00								25.00
J. W. Anderson	5.00								5.00
R. T. Vann	10.00								10.00
Totals	1,382.63	9.03	60.77	2.95	47.88	30 00	10.73	77 01	922.25

SUNDAY-SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Volumes in Library.	Quarterlies and Papers Taken	School Expenses.	Orphanage.	Charity & Children Taken.	Sunday-Schools.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.
Antioch	J. R. Collier.....Brinkleyville	6	60	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Brown's	S. L. Bobbitt.....Axtell	5	70	...	.....	5.00	.....	...	.....	.....	.....
Branch	W. B. Tunstall.....Cokes	7	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Battleboro	S. A. Ward.....Battleboro	5	26	....	48	5.00	1.00	....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel	T. R. Bullock.....Bethel	5	60	....	76	19.75	9.47	20	.....	.....	.....
Bear Swamp	Bat Bowers.....Airlie	5	54	50	.....	40.00	2.50	....	.....	.....	.....
Bethlehem	J. E. Hockaday.....Kitchin	5	34	....	.....	5.15	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Corinth	J. F. Wilson.....Pughs	8	90	....	.....	10.00	5.00	....	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Rock	J. B. Fulgham.....Stallings	7	75	25	.....	10.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Crocker's Chapel	Willie Womble.....Nashville	6	37	....	.....	1.48	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Cary's Chapel	A. H. Hoyle.....Henderson	5	48	....	25	5.00	1.80	....	.....	.....	.....
Cedar Branch	A. D. Mobley.....Jamesville	4	40	50	.....	1.25	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Cypress Chapel	W. J. Wilder.....Spring Hope	5	36	....	96	5.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Conoho	T. E. Johnson.....Conoho	5	26	....	30	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Castalia	J. D. Wheeless.....Castalia	8	80	....	69	7.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Dawson	Jim Simmons.....Dawson	9	40	60	.....	16.68	6.00	25	.....	.....	.....
Ephesus	W. M. Warren.....Spring Hope	4	40	100	50	5.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Elm City	L. D. Harper.....Elm City	3	31	....	55	7.00	12.00	....	.....	.....	.....
Enfield	R. May Wood.....Enfield	6	50	...	85	.....	10.00	....	7.00	.....	.....
Everetts	J. A. Whitley.....Everetts	5	50	....	45	12.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Elm Grove	J. J. Kemp.....Nashville	6	45	....	150	3.00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Eagle's	W. P. Eagles.....Crisp	5	40	....	50	5.00	25.00	....	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek	Elbert Shearin.....Ita	5	40	...	132	2.75	6.00	....	3.65	.....	.....
Greenville	C. D. Rountree.....Greenville	12	90	150	151	43.72	34.48	....	.....	.....	.....
Gethsemane	O. L. Pittman.....Gethsemane	5	30	....	48	1.80	1.05	....	1.84	.....	.....
Gardner's	W. A. Pegram.....Vaughans	12	80	....	75	10.00	4 60	....	.....	.....	.....
Harriss' Chapel	W. H. Mabry.....Essex	7	40	....	40	2.50	.....	....	4.00	.....	.....
Hobgood	D. J. Brock.....Hobg od	6	47	....	50	7.26	16.00	....	1.52	.....	.....
Hickory	T. E. Powell.....Gold Rock	6	44	....	40	3.50	3.00	....	.....	.....	.....
Hamilton	P. L. Salsbury.....Hamilton	7	44	25	44	8.25	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Henderson	J. T. Alderman.....Henderson	7	74	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
John's Chapel	H. T. Finch.....Glover	6	35	....	84	4.50	.....	....	.....	.....	.....
Louisburg	Thos. B. Wilder.....Louisburg	14	130	300	200	75.00	15.00	....	.....	.....	.....

Mount Hebron	J. S. Shearin	Wood	10	140	....	30	5.00	....	....	....	....	....
Mildred	E. C. Knight	Mildred	3	15	50	45	4.00	....	....	....	....	....
Mount Zion	W. T. Cooper	Laurel	7	90	....	75	8.08	....	....	....	3.20	....
Macon	J. L. Coleman	Macon	5	20	....	20	2.96	....	3	....	....	....
Maple Springs	J. W. Strange	Mapleville	10	75	100	110	15.00	....	....	....	....	....
Middleburg	W. H. Kimball	Middleburg	4	25	....	204	5.32	2.50	6	....	....	....
Nashville	L. M. Conyers	Nashville	3	25	....	60	7.20	....	....	....	....	....
New Bethel	W. B. Daniel	Henderson	10	134	35	175	25.00	....	....	....	....	....
North Rocky Mount	R. C. Wallace	Rocky Mount	7	129	....	130	20.81	22.35	....	....	....	....
Oak Level	T. A. Bone	Nashville	7	55	....	40	5.00	....	....	6.00	....	....
Pleasant Grove	J. T. Winstead	Spring Hope	4	30	....	....	2.15	....	....	....	....	....
Philadelphia	J. T. D. Avent	Dukes	5	75	....	200	10.00	....	....	....	....	....
Peach Tree	J. W. Gardner	Hunts	6	40	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Poplar Springs	J. W. White	Sutton	15	450	100	450	20.00	....	....	....	....	....
Rocky Mount	S. V. T. Chamblee	Rocky Mount	10	142	113	255	60.89	42.80	....	5.00	....	10.50
Red Oak	W. H. Faulkner	Red Oak	6	80	25	50	20.00	....	....	....	....	....
Reedy Creek	W. H. Tucker	Grove Hill	6	33	18	84	21.23	....	....	....	.84	....
Roanoke Rapids	J. K. Dickens	Roanoke Rapids	10	97	....	164	54.00	....	60	....	....	....
Red Bud	Ruffin Griffin	Centerville	8	62	....	124	4.00	....	....	....	....	....
Rock Springs	J. L. Cheavis	Louisburg	10	60	....	100	7.68	....	....	....	....	....
Sharon	J. E. Hicks	Wise	5	50	50	60	12.00	2.00	10	....	....	....
Sulphur Springs	L. W. O'Neal	Elberton	7	35	....	84	10.20	....	....	....	....	....
Stanhope	S. R. Pearce	Finch	6	38	....	....	4.00	....	....	....	....	....
Stony Creek	J. F. Ellen	Rocky Mount	7	100	....	117	10.00	....	30	....	....	....
Sandy Creek	G. W. Wess	Oswego	11	66	....	150	3.03	....	....	....	....	....
Spring Hope	John T. Fulford	Spring Hope	6	60	....	540	11.00	....	....	....	....	....
Samaria	W. L. Morgan	Stanhope	12	150	....	100	5.60	5.25	....	....	....	....
Social Plains	J. T. Alford	Union Hope	6	50	....	30	5.00	....	....	....	....	....
Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard	Scotland Neck	26	300	750	500	200.00	240.00	....	....	....	....
Tarboro	C. J. Austin	Tarboro	10	98	125	170	16.40	31.77	....	....	....	....
Tillery	P. V. Tillery	Tillery	5	25	....	7	7.91	....	....	....	....	....
Turkey Branch	A. E. Hull	Veni	4	26	....	40	4.00	....	....	....	....	....
Warren Plains	W. S. Ferrell	Warren Plains	13	95	325	238	39.73	12.95	....	....	....	....
Williamston	Dennis Simmons	Williamston	10	85	....	125	26.32	30.54	....	....	....	....
Wilson	C. E. Blount	Wilson	12	114	....	137	75.00	20.87	....	....	....	....
Weldon	W. E. Daniel	Weldon	8	79	50	170	53 60	....	....	....	....	....
Wasnington	E. L. Dawson	Washington	14	110	78	140	49.93	31.04	....	5.25	....	2.41
Warrenton	W. A. White	Warrenton	13	100	467	242	82.37	10.00	....	....	....	....
Totals			533	5048	2346	6,789	1,535.37	604.37	1 54	34.26	4.04	12.91

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Incidental Expenses.	Poor.	Repairs.	Other Objects.	Associational Missions.	State Missons.	Home Missions.	Foreign Miss'ns.	Education.	Orphanage.	Aged Ministers' Relief Board.	Minute Fund.	Total.
Antioch	25.00			5.00		4.50							.50	35.00
Brown's	150.00					30.00	2.60	2.66		10.00	10.00		1.50	206.76
Battleboro	75.00	71.00		240.00		10.00			.25	2.50			1.00	399.75
Bethel	150.00	18.00			2.47	14.00	1.72		3.25		3.56			192.00
Bear Swamp	100.00		9.67	6.14	15.00	9.89	1.38	.96	.97		7.46	1.00	1.00	152.97
Bethlehem	40.00				30.00	3.00	.50	1.00	2.25				.60	77.35
Corinth	150.00	43.00		30.00		25.00			8.00		5.00		1.25	262.25
Conoconara	75.00	4.00	1.25	15.00		15.00	1.08	2.98	3.22	2.00	3.97		.90	125.34
Cedar Rock	100.00	25.00			10.00	15.00							1.50	151.50
Crocker's Chapel						5.00							.50	5.50
Cary's Chapel	44.80					8.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	1.60	2.00	.60	70.00
Cadar Branch	50.00	7.50		175.35		5.00							1.25	239.10
Cypress Chapel	75.00					5.00	1.50		5.00		5.00		1.00	92.50
Conoho	20.00	2.50		150.00		2.00					.48		.50	175.48
Castalia	75.00	4.00				10.00				2.00	1.39		1.50	93.89
Dawson	100.00	18.00				25.00	5.11		4.00		2.30		1.00	154.41
Ephesus						15.00	2.25	1.40	1.15	.90	5.47	1.15	1.80	29.12
Elm City	125.00	.45				15.00							1.00	141.45
*Enfield	125.00	25.00		10.00		15.25			5.81		5.00		1.00	200.56
Everetts	40.00	6.86	2.00	5.00		5.00	2.73	1.43	2.00		5.00		.50	70.52
Elm Grove	40.00	4.00		2.25		5.00					1.53		1.25	54.03
Eagles	100.00	3.00		20.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	2.75	.55	10.00	2.00	.50	168.80
Enterprise													.50	.50
Fishing Creek	50.00	3.00		1.00	7.75	12.23				2.00			.65	79.38
Greenville	700.00	146.23	5.00		195.77	25.00	26.25	26.65	17.00		26.50		1.50	1,216.17
Gardners	150.00	6.00	7.02	8.00	26.00	25.00	2.31	2.00	1.25	5.00	9.00		1.45	241.02
Gethsemane	40.00	1.10				15.00		2.95	2.90	1.80	4.60		.75	69.10
Harriss Chapel	75.00				10.00	15.00	2.00	4.00	4.67	2.00	10.91		.70	123.78
Hobgood	60.00	5.95	1.50	32.43		13.44	8.16	8.22	10.53	11.56	9.30	3.48	.75	178.66
Halifax	25.00	2.00			14.00	5.00			1.00					47.00
Hickory	80.00	4.50	4.54	4.00	.54	20.00			2.91		2.75	2.90	1.00	123.14
Hamilton	75.00	15.00		2.50		10.00					1.75			104.25
Henderson	1,000.00	140.00			20.00	6.00	51.30	45.00	78.63				2.50	1,345.43
John's Chapel	45.00	3.65				2.50					.50		.60	52.25
Littleton						25.00				5.00			1.00	31.00

Louisburg	900.00	190.72	140.00	3,500.00	12.10	110.00	28.75		104.70	25.00	67.71	25.00	2.25	5,126.23
Mount Hebron	50.00												1.25	51.25
Macedonia		.95		253.71		3.50					1.27		.50	259.93
Mildred	75.00	2.50			24.80	10.00	4.50			2.00	17.64		.50	136.94
Mount Zion	75.00			65.00		12.50				2.00	1.00		1.00	147.00
†Macon	50.00			.75		15.00	1.43	1.00	1.00	2.00	6.00		.75	77.93
Marmaduke	50.00			40.00	1.85	5.00				1.00	2.00		.50	100.35
Maple Springs	150.00	5.00			4.87	25.00							1.60	186.47
Middleburg	100.00	7.65			7.00	15.00	21.00	8.60	15.55	7.85	9.00	4.60	1.00	197.25
Nashville	100.00	12.00		15.00		10.00							.70	137.70
New Bethel	125.00	6.00			62.60	20.00	4.35		82.40		11.00		1.60	312.95
New Hope	50.00			1.50		2.50								54.00
North Rocky Mt	125.00	24.26		34.00	9.40	10.00							1.00	211.86
Oak Level	50.00	25.00		5.00		7.50					3.00		1.00	91.50
Pleasant Grove	100.00	5.51				20.00							1.50	127.01
Philadelphia	100.00	1.50	3.00		39.00	30.00	.50	2.10	2.33		2.31	4.12	2.00	186.86
Peach Tree	100.00			10.00	39.00	9.60				1.00			1.40	161.00
Poplar Springs	150.00	75.00			35.00					5.00			2.00	267.00
Plymouth														
Pactolus														
Quankie	50.00			15.00		5.00				3.00			.50	73.50
‡Rocky Mount	583.90	65.45		39.95	195.00	62.00	36.20	14.25	10.97	10.65	32.75	7.88	2.26	1,042.14
Red Oak	150.00	10.00	50.00			25.00	2.00			2.50			1.50	237.79
Reedy Creek	100.00			30.94		20.00					8.94		2.00	161.88
Roanoke Rapids	100.00	37.70	22.00			12.00	5.18	6.40	11.67				1.25	206.20
Red Bud	75.00		5.00			10.00			1.00	2.50			1.40	94.92
Rock Spring	100.00		.50			10.00	2.50	2.50	2.20		2.50			125.28
Sharon	150.00	12.00		35.00	25.00	25.00					9.00		1.00	257.00
Sulphur Spring	60.00					5.00			1.83				.75	67.58
Stanhope	40.00					6.00							.75	46.75
Stony Creek	200.00	66.00	5.00		50.00						61.00		1.50	393.50
Sandy Creek						10.00		.70			1.35		1.15	13.20
Spring Hope	140.00	23.59			60.00	8.50	2.73				10 76		1.25	246.83
Samaria	60.00		4.00	22.00		10.00							1.50	97.50
Social Plains	30.00	2.00	8.00			5.00			.92		1.00	1.19	.60	48.71
**Scotland Neck	1,000.00	200.00	140.00	150 00	200.00	200.00	110.00	126.41	80.53	35.00	290.00		3.00	3,071.94
Tarboro	300.00	65.00	20.00	210.00	24.00	15.00	5.00	11.50	12.50	4.00	17.56		1.50	686.08
Tillery	100.00	11.82	2.65	54.80		15.00	3.27	2.78	1.49		6.65			198.46
Turkey Branch	50.00		2.95	38.61	4.78	5.00		1.00	1.05	1.00			.25	104.64
††Warren Plains	100.00	24.38				15.00	12.05	2.88	4.78	1.10	18.43	2.85	1.25	182.68
Williamston	400.00	70.70			40.75	25.00	9.86	5.00	5.00	2.00	100.24		1.25	629.80
Wilson	600.00	369.80	2.50	1,078.06		17.00	43.04	50.20	26.82	15.00	29.00			2,233.36
‡‡Weldon	400.00	51.60				35.00	15.85	6.00	6.00	4.00	27.20	3.20	1.25	550.10
Washington	300.00	198.55			223.30	45.12	14.45	19.40	17.00	10.05	11.50		1.50	841.37
Warrenton	500.00	91.98	10.90	30.00	1,693.60	60.00	44.45	20.00	31.22	33.55	96.50	7.75	2.25	2,599.20
Totals	11,697.90	2,226.40	447.48	6,389.99	3,016.11	1.377.03	456.00	288.97	582.10	216.51	978.38	69.12	83.26	28,784.78

*Enfield gave $15 to Bap. Fem. University.
†Macon gave $1.75 to Colportage.
‡Rocky Mt. gave $10.50 to B. F. University.

**Scot. Neck gave $1,100.00 to B. F. U.
††Warren Plains gave $1 to Sun.-schools.
‡‡Weldon gave $15.95 to Sunday-school.

NUMERICAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Time of Preaching, Sunday	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Antioch	J. P. Bowers, Airlie	J. R. Collier, Brinkleyville	2	11	....	....	1	1	2	12	30	42
Brown's	T. J. Taylor, Warrenton	J. W. Tunstall, Cokes	2	8	....	....	2	....	....	62	74	136
Battleboro	C. C. Williams, Royal	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	4	9	1	4	3	....	2	25	43	68
Bethel	J. W. Rose, Bethel	W. A. Knox, Bethel	2	12	1	1	1	....	1	24	38	62
Bear Swamp	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	N. Chichester, Brinkleyville	4	8	....	....	1	2	5	80	90	170
Bethlehem	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	Ed. Pepper, Moss	3	7	1	....	....	1	....	21	31	52
Corinth	Forrest Smith, Louisburg	A. A. Dement, Ingleside	3	17	2	2	6	....	2	55	90	150
Conoconara	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	J. A. Pope, Scotland Neck	1	11	2	1	1	....	3	24	26	50
Cedar Rock	W. C. Nowell, Nashville	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	3	19	2	....	7	....	....	85	101	186
Crocker's Chapel	W. C. Nowell, Nashville	E. H. Crocker, Nashville	4	....	....	....	....	....	1	10	13	23
Cary's Chapel	J. A. Stradley, Oxford	Chas. G. Stokes, Henderson	4	6	1	....	3	1	....	19	22	41
Cedar Branch	B. Leggett, Windsor	W. A. Mobley, Jamesville	3	17	....	3	....	7	2	55	75	130
Cypress Chapel	G. W. May, Oswego	E. S. Moore, Spring Hope	4	15	....	1	1	4	2	31	53	84
Conoho	G. L. Merrell, Hobgood	J. C. Ross, Conoho	1	8	....	....	....	....	....	9	19	28
Castalia	A. A. Pippin, Wakefield	J. D. Wheeless, Castalia	4	....	2	....	....	5	....	60	43	103
Dawson	G. G. O'Neil, Enfield	W. J. Partin, Crowells	4	11	....	....	3	1	3	67	77	144
Ephesus	G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield	W. M. Warren, Spring Hope	4	10	2	1	4	1	1	49	69	118
Elm City	W. A. Ayers, Bethel	J. H. Barkley, Elm City	1	12	10	1	6	1	1	32	54	86
Enfield	G. G. O'Neil, Enfield	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	2	4	2	....	....	....	1	22	34	56
Everetts	B. K. Mason, Williamston	J. A. Whitley, Everetts	1	....	1	....	12	14	....	10	26	36
Elm Grove	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	C. H. Baines, Nashville	1	12	....	1	6	10	2	32	88	120
Enterprise	J. T. Edmondson, Littleton	Fletcher Bobbitt, Littleton	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Eagle's	B. Craig, Tarboro	B. F. Eagles, Crisp	3	....	....	1	....	6	....	8	21	29
Fishing Creek	J. P. Bowers, Airlie	M. Bobbitt, Ita	1	8	....	1	1	2	1	24	37	61
Greenville	J. N. Booth, Greenville	L. W. Lawrence, Greenville	1, 2, 3, 4	3	8	....	4	1	4	39	79	118
Gardner's	A. Cree, Littleton	J. W. Shearin, Churchill	2	....	....	....	3	....	1	55	86	141
Gethsemane	G. L. Merrell, Hobgood	A. Anderson, Gethsemane	3	5	1	....	....	3	1	17	31	48
Harriss Chapel	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	B. Y. Harriss, Essex	2	3	....	....	1	....	2	49	61	101
Hobgood	G. L. Merrell, Hobgood	G. C. Weeks, Scotland Neck	2	5	5	....	....	1	1	16	33	49
Halifax	G. G. O'Neil, Enfield	.....	2	....	....	....	1	....	....	4	8	12
Hickory	C. C. Williams, Royal	G. T. Lyndall, Whitakers	1	6	....	....	11	10	2	42	57	99
Hamilton	.....	J. H. Sherrod, Hamilton	4	3	....	....	2	....	....	10	28	38
Henderson	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
John's Chapel	J. W. Noble, Kinley	J. P. Underwood, Eatman	2	....	4	....	7	2	1	27	34	61
Littleton	A. Cree, Littleton	John E. McCraw, Littleton	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Louisburg	Forrest Smith, Louisburg	Thos. B. Wilder, Louisburg	1, 2, 3, 4	26	16	....	5	1	2	103	107	210
Mount Hebron	J. W. Sledge, Cedar Rock	S. T. Gupton, Wood	4	6	....	1	3	....	1	54	99	153

Macedonia	G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield	D. S. Joyner, Nunns	2	6	6				4	8	12
Mildred	B. Craig, Tarboro	I. J. Crisp, Mildred	1 and 2						16	28	44
Mount Zion	J. D. Morris, Franklinton	W. F. Leonard, Laurel	1	11	4			1	3	57	117	174
Macon	A. Cree, Littleton	J. H. Nicholson, Macon	2 and 4					1	1	16	22	38
Marmaduke	J. R. Cullom, Essex	M. T. Duke, Dukes	4				1			19	26	45
Maple Springs	G. M. Duke, Dukes	J. H. Uzzle, Mapleville	4	26	1	2		5		76	115	191
Middleburg	W. R. Cullom, Wake Forest	G. L. Pegram, Middleburg	2	12	2					21	34	55
Nashville	G. W. May, Oswego	L. M. Conyers, Nashville	2		2					19	28	47
New Bethel	G. N. Bray, Henderson	D. H. Dickie, Epson	1	6	3		9	3		74	166	240
New Hope	W. H. Reddish, Wilson	R. H. White, Wilson	3				7	14		14	20	34
North Rocky Mount	T. S. Crutchfield, Rocky Mt	F. C. Furgerson, Rocky Mt	1 and 3	22	8		2		2	27	50	77
Oak Level	W. C. Nowell, Nashville	F. A. Bone, Nashville	1	6	2		2	1	2	21	33	54
Pleasant Grove	A. A. Pippin, Wakefield	J. W. Colston, Oakland	4	11	1	1	1	3	8	74	103	177
Philadelphia	G. M. Duke, Dukes	C. C. Hedgepeth, Dukes	3	54	1	5	6			113	145	258
Peach Tree	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	J. J. H. Edwards, Hunts	3		1		7		5	71	119	190
Poplar Springs	G. M. Duke, Dukes	J. S. Wright, Sutton	2	23	3	9	4	12	1	133	267	400
Pactolus												
Plymouth												
Quankie												
Rocky Mount	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	J. J. Cullom, Weldon										
Red Oak	W. N. Johnson, Rocky Mount	S. T. V. Chamblee, Rocky Mt	1, 2, 3, 4	19	7	2	10	1	4	31	43	74
Reedy Creek	G. M. Duke, Dukes	W. H. Faulkner, Red Oak	1	21	2		8		1	50	60	110
Red Bud	J. T. Edmundson, Littleton	W. T. Robertson, Grove Hill	1	28	4	3	6	1	3	80	90	170
Rock Springs	C. C. Williams, Royal	R. E. Lancaster, Auterville	2	22	1	6	4		4	66	127	193
Roanoke Rapids	G. W. May, Oswego	W. D. Harriss, Louisburg	1	1	1		1	2		46	77	123
Sharon		W. D. Tillery, Roanoke Rapids										
Sulphur Springs	J. T. Edmondson, Littleton	T. R. Perkerson, Wise	2	6	1		1	2	1	71	94	165
Stanhope	G. W. May, Oswego	D. T. Rives, Elberton	3						1	21	36	57
Stony Creek	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	B. E. Morgan, Finch	1				1					44
Sandy Creek	J. T. Edmondson, Littleton	T. E. Coley, Rocky Mount	1	19	20		8	2	1	64	64	128
Spring Hope	G. M. Duke, Dukes	J. R. Collins, Dickens	3	8	2		6	8	7	94	127	221
Samaria	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	G. W. Bunn, Spring Hope	2 and 3	1	8	2			1	43	44	87
Social Plains	J. E. Hocutt, Spring Hope	D. S. Cone, Spring Hope	1	36	7		2	2		85	138	223
Scotland Neck	G. W. Coppedge, Wakefield	J. S. Haywood, Nashville	3	7	3	2		3	1	20	30	50
Tarboro	M. L. Kesler, Scotland Neck	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	1, 2, 3, 4	29	25		16	6	4	160	198	358
Tillery	B. Craig Tarboro	W. J. Teachy, Tarboro	1, 2, 3, 4	32	24		2		1	48	96	144
Turkey Branch	G. G. O Neil, Enfield	J. G. Powell, Tillery					3			21	19	40
Warren Plains	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	W. J. Hardee, Enfield	4	5	2					13	27	40
Williamston	T. J. Taylor, Warrenton	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	1, 3, 4	8	1				1	52	69	121
Wilson	B. K. Mason, Williamstou	J. W. Anderson, Williamston	2, 3, 4	3	12		2	3		30	59	89
Weldon	W. H. Reddish, Wilson	F. B. Mayo, Wilson	1, 2, 3, 4		14		5	19	2	59	136	195
Washington		W. E. Daniel, Weldon		4	10		3		1	39	52	91
Warrenton	J. S. Corpening, Washington	Thos. J. Latham, Washington	1, 2, 3, 4	12	14		5			37	53	90
	T. J. Taylor, Warrenton	E. S. Allen, Warrenton	1, 3, 4	8	2		1		5	66	93	159
Totals												
				705	258	55	210	164	103	3,237	4,854	7,957

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it best to be governed by certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator.
3. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted, unless he violates some rule of decorum.
4. The person speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject, and in nowise reflect on any other brother.
5. No brother shall absent himself from the Association without obtaining permission from the body.
6. No brother shall speak more than twice on the same subject without unanimous consent.
7. No person shall whisper while a brother is speaking.
8. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called as often as the Association requires.
9. The Moderator may give his ideas on any subject before putting it to the vote, but is entitled to vote only in case of a tie.
10. An order of business shall be made at the beginning of each session, and shall be changed only by vote of the body.

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CONSTITUTION.

1. The Association shall be composed of the pastors and of the members chosen by the churches who shall produce letters certifying their appointment. Members thus chosen and convened, together with the pastors, shall be denominated THE TAR RIVER BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, which shall have no power over the churches, nor shall it infringe on any of their rights.
2. The letters from the churches shall contain the number then in fellowship and of those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded and died since last Association.
3. The officers of the Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and Historian, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.
4. Other churches, upon petition by letter and by delegates, and after a satisfactory examination of their Articles of Faith, may be admitted to the body by a unani-

mous vote, when the Moderator shall give to their delegates the right hand of fellowship.

5. Every church in this Association is entitled to one representative, but no church more than three.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it may be debated or not.

7. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with copies of its Minutes.

8. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and approved, and shall be signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

9. Any church not representing itself in this body for three successive sessions, by letter or delegates, shall be stricken from the roll of the churches, unless satisfactory reasons are assigned.

10. The Association shall withdraw fellowship from any church which shall be found disorderly in faith or practice.

11. Visiting brethren from sister churches, or similar bodies, may be invited to participate in our deliberations.

12. At each session of the Association delegates to the Baptist State Convention and to the Southern Baptist Convention shall be chosen by vote.

13. This Constitution is subject to alteration by a majority vote of the delegates enrolled at any session.

14. The business of the Association shall be conducted according to Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

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ARTICLES OF FAITH.

ADOPTED BY THE TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER, 1833.

We Believe :—

1. That God made the world and all things therein, seeing that He is Lord of heaven and earth; also, that there are three that bear record in heaven—the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one.—Acts 17:24, I John 5:7.

2. That in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God; also that the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us.—John 1:1, 14.

3. That in the beginning God created the heavens and the earth; that He created man in His own image; that He saw everything that he had made, and behold it was very good.—Gen. 1:1, 27, 31.

4. That as sin entered into the world and death by sin, and so death passed upon all men for that all have sinned. even so all are by nature dead in trespasses and sins.—Rom. 5:12, Eph. 2:1.

5. That all scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness; that the will of God may be perperfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. —.I Tim. 3:16, 17.

6. That the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost; and that we joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ by whom we have now received the atonement.—Luke 19:10. Rom. 5:11.

7. That God now commandeth all men everywhere to repent; and he that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned.—Acts 17:30, Mark 16:16.

8. That there is one Lord, one faith and one baptism; and that therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death, that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.—Eph. 4:5, Rom. 6:4.

9. That the Holy Spirit reproves the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment; also that He hath quickened us together with Christ.—John 16:8, Eph. 2:5.

10. That by grace ye are saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not of works lest any man should boast.—Eph. 2:8, 9.

11. That God hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ, according as He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love; that He hath chosen us from the beginning unto salvation, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth.—Eph. 1:3, 4, II Thess. 2:15.

12. That we are justified by faith that works by love.—Rom. 5:1.

13. That we are kept by the power of God, through faith, unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. —I Peter 1:5.

14. That there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, who shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. —Acts 24:15, John 5:25.